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Archibald E. Michael	1829
Philip Sauer	1829
Michael Coover	1832
George Hoffman	1839
Robert Duncan	1839
Bishop Andrew Zeller	1839
Henry Joseph Frey	1841
Peter Ogborn	1841
Peter Bonebrake	1842
Jacob Flickinger	1842
Christian Shearer	1844
Isaac V. D. Robertson	1846
David Kiser	1848
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Robert A. Wheat	1850
William R. Lewis	1850
Jacob Kemper, Sr.	1851
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Martin Boehm	1855
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Bishop Joseph Hoffman	1856
John Zeller	1857
Curtis Edwards	1858
John Allen	1859
William R. Rhinehart	1861
Jacob Antrim	1861
Jacob Surface	1861
Swain Corson	1862
Daniel Troyer	1863
Thomas Shain	1863
Daniel N. Fleming	1863
John Kemp, Sr.	1865
Jacob M. Marshall	1866
Henry Bonebrake	1866
Jacob G. King	1867
Bishop Jacob Coons	1869
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O. Shoop	1873
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Stephen M. Hearn	1877
William Nichols	1878
Jacob King	1878
James Fleenor	1879
Adam Hetzler	1880
John Slife	1880
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Daniel C. Kumler	1882
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Henry Hoffman	1884
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Luke E. Pierce	1884
G. L. Gilbert	1885
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James Long	1888
Christopher Flinchbaugh	1888
Henry Tober	1889
Chester Briggs	1890
Henry Surface	1891
Joseph Gomer	1892
Lawrence Burns	1894
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J. W. Bovey	1908
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C. H. Snyder	1910
F. G. Grigsby	1910
Henry Garst	1911
D. K. Flickinger	1911
G. W. Arnold	1912
W. K. Albright	1914
J. L. Swain	1917
W. J. Pruner	1917
C. W. Kurtz	1918
H. A. Bovey	1919
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G. A. Thompson	1920
Daniel Berger	1920
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Only the names of those present and seated are printed

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Abbotsville-Caylor Chapel — ; *Antioch* — Roy Shock, R.R. 3, Brookville, Ohio; *Arcanum* — G. T. Riegle, Arcanum, Ohio; *Arlington* — Mrs. Ruth Brooks, 530 Market St., Brookville, Ohio; *Brookville* — ; *Castine* — William Garber, Castine, Ohio; *Clayton* — Mrs. Harold Binkley, R.R. No.1, Clayton, Ohio; *Eaton* — Mrs. John O'Neal, 313 N. Beech St., Eaton, Ohio; *Eldorado* — Mrs. Walter Haller, R.R. 1, West Manchester, Ohio; *Greenville* — Harry Metzgar, 215 W. Fifth St., Greenville, Ohio; *Ithaca* — Harry Corwin, R.R. 1, Arcanum, Ohio; *Lewisburg* — Mrs. E. P. Trittschuh, Lewisburg, Ohio; *Nashville* — Don Harsh, R.R. 4, Union City, Indiana; *New Hope* — Edwin Moyer, R.R. 2, Eaton, Ohio; *New Madison* — Mrs. Carey Shelly, New Madison, Ohio; *Otterbein-Savona* — Lowell Etzler, R.R. 1, Arcanum, Ohio; *Phillipsburg* — Oscar Lutz, Phillipsburg, Ohio; *Potsdam-West Sonora* — Cleeve Klepinger, Box 73, Laura, Ohio; *Pyrmont* — Marion Hypes, R.R. 1, West Alexandria, Ohio; *Rossburg Circuit* — Frank Fast, Yorkshire, Ohio; *Union City* — David Price, R.R. 1, Union City, Indiana; *Verona* — Clyde Parks, R.R. 1, Brookville, Ohio; *Wares Chapel* — Joe Wagner, R.R. 1, Eaton, Ohio; *Waterhouse* — Ralph Royer, R.R. 5, Union City, Indiana; *Weaver Station* — Ruth Sadler, R. R. 1, New Madison, Ohio; *West Manchester;* LeRoy Hensel, R.R. 1, West Manchester, Ohio; *Yankeetown* — Mrs. Luther Oler, Box 161, Eldorado, Ohio.

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W. A. HOHN, Conference Treasurer

RULES OF ORDER

1. No member of the conference may absent himself from the annual session without permission of the conference.
2. Anyone wishing to speak shall arise and respectfully address the chair. In case more than one should address the chair at the same time, the presiding bishop shall decide who is entitled to the floor.
3. No one shall be interrupted while speaking, except in case of misapprehension of the subject before the conference, or the introduction of anything out of order, and then only when so decided by the presiding bishop, or by a majority of the members of conference present.
4. No one shall be permitted to speak more than once upon the same subject until all who wish to speak have spoken.
5. No one shall speak on any one question before the conference for more than five minutes except by special permission of the conference.
6. All motions or resolutions shall be reduced to writing before being voted upon, if the presiding bishop, the secretary, or any two members request it.
7. All special committees shall be appointed by the presiding bishop unless otherwise ordered by the conference.
8. All references to committees shall be presented to this conference no later than the close of the afternoon session of the first day of conference except such matters as may arise out of the regular business of the conference.
9. Individuals, institutions, and organizations of the local and general church having matters that need to be considered by the conference through committees shall submit such items in writing, and address them to the presiding bishop not later than the first day of the conference session.
10. Speakers representing the institutions and general interests of the church shall be limited to twenty minutes. Speaker representing agencies recognized by the church shall be limited to ten minutes, except by special permission of the conference.
11. The Committee on Ways and Means shall annually edit and codify the standing resolutions of the conference.

STANDING RESOLUTIONS

In Regard to Missionary Appropriation

1. Resolved. that the missionary money appropriated to the different missions in this conference shall be paid monthly. The conference superintendent shall have the power to order payments withheld from a pastor of a mission church who fails to faithfully perform his duties, until further action is taken by the Conference Council.

2. It is expected that pastors and or churches receiving missionary appropriations shall cooperate with the conference program.
3. The conference Treasurer shall send appropriation checks to the local church treasurer with the understanding that each local church will be responsible for paying the six per cent pension allotment on total salary.
4. Wherever possible, missionary appropriotions to a church, should be made on an annual receding schedule.
5. Mission charges or churches shall be under the direction of the Conference Board of Missions.
6. The Conference Board of Missions shall recommend to the Committee on Boundaries, Appropriations and Finance as to the financial assistance mission churches or changes shall receive. (Revised 1953, Amended 1956).

In Regard to the Personnel of the Board of Publication

Be it resolved that the committee charged with the publication of the Miami Messenger be composed of the conference Superintendent, conference recording secretary, president of the Conference Board of Christian Education and two additional members chosen by ballot. (Adopted 1939)

In Regard to Ministerial Aid

WHEREAS, there seem to be certain inequities in the method of giving Retirement Aid and,
WHEREAS, there is a degree of confusion in the various standing resolutions heretofore used as the basis for retirement aid, and,
WHEREAS, there seems to be a real desire to clarify and determine a policy for Retirement Aid:
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the following become the policy of Retirement Aid. Said policy is subject to review and adjustment at each annual conference session.

1. That all ministers granted superannuated relations by the Annual Conferece, shall be eligible for retirement aid, excent that beginning with the Annual Conference of 1957 no superannuated minister serving as a supply pastor within the bounds of Ohio Miami Conference, and receiving a salary of $1200 or more per year, shall be eligible for Ministerial Aid Appropriation.
   a. In the event a minister has transferred to the Ohio Miami Conference from an Ohio Conference and has served at least 10 years in this Conference, he shall be entitled to retirement aid on the basis of years of service in the direct employ of Ohio Conferences.
   b. In the event that a minister is rendered incapacitated by illness the ten year service requirement shall be waived.
   c. Ministers entering Ohio Miami Conference by merger of Conferences or by charges of boundry shall be treated the same as persons already members of the Conference.
2. That retirement aid will be paid to those granted superannuation by the Annual Conference on the basis of years of service.
   a. Rate of payment per year may be adiusted as conditions require, but years of service in the Conference shall be the basis of payment.
   b. Persons whose ministerial service to Ohio Miami Conference has been on a part time basis shall receive a maximum of one-half the rate of payment voted by the Annual Conference.
3. That the miximum number of years for which retirement aid will be paid shall be 30.
4. That the conference appropriation and dividends of the Otterbein Press and Publishing Interests constitute the Fund from which the retirement aid will be paid.
5. The rate paid per year will be determined annually by vote of the Annual Conference depending on the amount of funds available.
6. That any ministers' widow becoming a beneficiary of group insurance shall receive no grants from the Ministerial Aid funds. Any exception to this rule shall be made by action of the Annual Conference.

7. The widows not governed by the foregoing status shall be dealt with as special cases, and shall be granted aid on the basis of years of active service spent with their husbands in the Ohio Miami Conference.

8. That ministers rendered incapacitated by illness shall be treated in the light of their special need. It is understood that the total money received by any person from the Conference Aid Fund in the foregoing category shall not exceed but may be equal to the maximum received by other beneficiaries of the Fund.

9. That a "Ministerial Aid Board" of five members be elected to administer this program of aid, two of them shall be laymen, and that their term of office be so arranged that one will serve for a period of one year, two for a period of two years and two for a period of three years.

10. That this Ministerial Aid Board be authorized to make additional expenditures of such funds as may be made available to them to meet the need of any minister who may fall in a special category. (Adopted 1951 — amended 1952, 1956.)

Conference Proceedings

TUESDAY MORNING SESSION

The Conference assembled in the chapel at Camp Miami as Mrs. Lorin Stine, B.Mus., played "Chorale" by H. Whitford.

Bishop F. L. Dennis, D.D., L.L.D., declared the One Hundred Forty-Eighth Session the Ohio Miami Conference in session when he said, "Under Assignment of the General Conference of The Evangelical United Brethren Church as Chairman I now convene the Ohio Miami Conference in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen."

The Episcopal declaration was followed by the Call to Worship and the Invocation by Bishop Dennis.

The congregation sang the Gloria Patri, joined in reciting the Apostles' Creed and in singing the hymn, "O Sacred Head Now Wounded." The Rev. Milford E. Ater, B.D., served as precentor.

The Rev. John A. Clippinger, Ph.D., read from John 3:16-21. The Rev. C. C. Mesmer, B. D., led in prayer. Mrs. Stine played an appropriate organ response.

Miss Ruth Ellen Harner sang "The Lord's Prayer" by Malotte.

Bishop Dennis delivered the Communion Meditation using as his subject, "The Heart of Christianity." He said that the heart of Christianity can be reduced to two words, Love and Service. Love is of God: it is revealed in Christ and should be in evidence among His followers. Service is the expression of Love.

We sang the hymn entitled "Cross of Jesus, Cross of Sorrow."

The Service of Holy Communion

The Reverends W. K. Messmer, D.D., and Joe Hendrix, D.D., presided at the Communion table. Dr. Messmer led in a prayer of confession, pronounced the Words of Assurance and offered a Prayer of Humble Access.

Bishop Dennis extended the invitation to Communion and directed the distribution of the elements. The congregation was served by the Reverends John Bench, P. M. Herrick, D.D., Charles Fryman, Carl Robinson, Howard James, Demi Edwards, Gerald Geiger and Walter Miranda. Bishop Dennis gave words of instruction as the congregation partook of the elements. The playing of a group of chorales by Mrs. Stine added greatly to the meaning of this service.

The Service of Memory

The ministers and ministers' wives who were deceased during the year were remembered in a fitting Memorial Service. A memorial tribute to Mrs. Joe Henry was presented by the Rev. Ella Hamilton; a tribute to the Rev. J. L. Armstrong was given by the Rev. C. R. Smith; the life of Bishop D. T. Gregory was recalled with appreciation by Bishops F. L. Dennis and A. R. Clippinger; Mrs. D. T. Gregory's life's tribute was given by the Rev. Emerson D. Bragg; the tribute to Mrs. M. E. Gibsen was given by the Rev. Lorin Stine, D. D. (See Report No. 16).

Bishop F. L. Dennis spoke words of appreciation for the lives of each of these comrades. He also called attention to the death of Mrs. Lydia Kurtz Gilbert, whose husband, C. W. Kurtz, had been a minister in and a Superintendent of the Miami Conference. He also spoke of the sudden death on May 23 of Bishop Paul E. V. Shannon who had served as pastor of the Fairview Church from 1920-1924.

Dr. Messmer prayed in gratitude for each of these lives and their endeavors, and asked God's blessing upon the remaining members of their families.

Miss Harner sang "The Twenty-Third Psalm" by Malotte.

Recess

Mrs. Lorin Stine played "Christ of All the Living" by Shomaker as an interlude.

Business Session

The Secretary called the Roll of Ministers and of Lay Delegates. A fine response was noted. Several of the ministers were excused from a future session to conduct funerals.

The Bar of the Conference was established to include all seats to the last double posts in the auditorium.

The agenda of the Conference was approved as printed in the programs distributed to members and visitors.

The Rules of Order printed on page 18 of the 1956 Journal were adopted as the Rules of Order for this Session.

Dr. W. K. Messmer read the report of the Conference Superintendent. The illuminating report was adopted, the work of the Superintendent was approved and the recommendations of the report were referred to proper committees. (See Report No. 2).

Announcements were made of committee meetings, of literature tables and displays. Mr. Walter Ellison of the Otterbein Press made an announcement regarding the new Church Hymnals.

Dr. Walter Roberts, President of United Seminary, offered the closing prayer.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The organ prelude for this Session was "Andante" by Bartlett.

The Rev. James Conley read from Colossians 1:24-29. The Rev. Wayne Stine directed our thoughts in prayer.

The Secretary checked the Roll. The Probationers of the Conference were introduced as were all ministers serving churches in the Conference who are not members of the Ohio Miami Conference.

Bishop Dennis read paragraph 136 of the Discipline. In accord with this paragraph the names of the ministers of the Conference were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations by vote of the Itinerant Elders of the Conference.

A partial report of the Appropriations, Boundary and Finance Committee was presented. The report was approved. (See Report Number 5.)

A ballot for the election of Conference Superintendent was taken.

Dr. Joe Hendrix read a partial report of the Committee on Conference Relations. The report was approved by the ministers of the Conference. (See Report Number 11.)

The report of the Program Director was read by the Rev. C. C. Messmer. Report approved on motion. (See Report Number 3.)

The report of the Tellers was read by Bishop Dennis. The report indicated that W. K. Messmer had been re-elected by a nearly unanimous vote indicating the high regard in which he is held. (See Report Number 20.) Dr. Messmer spoke his thanks for the confidence evidenced by his re-election and declared his dedication to the task assigned.

Panel Discussion

Members of the Conference Board of Missions plus the Rev. Dana Heaton, pastor of Hamilton St. Mark's Church: the Rev. Dwayne Myers, pastor of the Eastmont Church and the Rev. Milford Ater, pastor of the Normandy Church presented informative highlights of the developments and present status of the three mission churches recently established in the Conference. It was pointed out that the Conference has an investment of $96,000.00 at St. Mark's, $48,000.00 at Eastmont and $125,000.00 at Normandy, making a total investment to date of $269,000.00 in the properties of these three churches. The Panel also pointed up the needs for other new churches in the Conference and the growth, development and opportunities of older churches.

Recess

Business Session

The business session of the afternoon was devoted to hearing of reports of Conference Officers, Boards, Commissions and Standing Committees.

Dr. C. B. Eschbach presented the report of the Board of Missions. This report was approved and its recommendations were referred to the proper committees. (See Report Number 30.)

The report of the Board of Trustees was read by its secretary, Dr. C. B. Eschbach. The report was adopted. (See Report Number 34.)

The actions of the Conference Council of Administration were presented. The report was approved and the actions validated. (See Report No. 4.)

Dr. M. B. Klepinger read the report of the Urban Church Commission. The report was approved. (See Report Number 35.)

The Rev. Howard James presented the report of the Committee on Christian Social Action. The report was approved and referred to the committee of the Session on Christian Social Action. (See Report Number 10.) Mr. James also distributed a questionnaire regarding Christian Social Action in the local churches to all ministers of the Conference.

Dr. Harvey Hahn read the report of the Commission on Evangelism. The report was approved. (See Report Number 25.)

The report of the Secretary of Stewardship was read by the Rev. W. W. Arnold. The report was adopted and its recommendations were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. (See Report Number 19.)

The report of the Editor of the Miami Messenger was presented by the Rev. C. C. Messmer. This report was adopted subject to audit. (See Report Number 14.)

Dr. J. P. Hendrix read the report of the Town and Country Church Commission. The report was approved. (See Report Number 33.)

The work of the Board of Christian Education was reviewed in a report presented by the Rev. C. C. Messmer. The report was adopted and its recommendations were referred to the Committees on Christian Education and Ways and Means. (See Report Number 24.)

A special recommendation from the Board of Christian Education was read and referred to the Committees on Ways and Means and on Christian Education. (See Report Number 38.)

The Rev. Harold Brown read the report of the Historian. The report was approved and its recommendations were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. (See Report Number 15.)

The Committee on Group Insurance reported via its secretary, the Rev. Demi Edwards. The report was adopted. (See Report Number 26.)

Activities of the Inter-Conference Council were reported by Dr. W. K. Messmer. It was voted to make these actions a part of the record of this Conference. (See Report Number 27.)

Conference Treasurer, W. A. Hohn, read the Treasurer's report. (See Report Number 22.) Mr. W. C. Reichert read the report of the Committee on Audit. (See Report Number 6.) The report of the Committee on Audit was approved. This approval included the report of the Treasurer.

Conference Statistician, the Rev. E. H. Hammon, gave a summary of the statistics to be found in the chart which is a part of this Journal. The report was approved and referred to the Committee on Records and Statistics.

An offering amounting to $91.22 was taken for Conference expenses.

The Rev. Carl Robinson read the report of the Nominating Committee Part 1. The report was approved and ballots ordered printed. (See Report Number 20A.)

Committee assignments of this Session of Conference were distributed to members of the Conference.

Bishop Dennis spoke regarding increased use of the Study Book of the Denomination. He also urged pastors and laymen to greater diligence in securing subscriptions to the "Telescope-Messenger."

Announcements of committee meetings which will occupy the remainder of the day were made.

The Rev. Charles Fryman offered the closing prayer.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

A beautiful organ prelude entitled "Morning" signaled the beginning of the second day of the Annual Session. Mrs. Stine was the organist.

Devotional Period

The congregation sang the hymn, "O Bless the Lord, My Soul", under the direction of the Rev. M. E. Ater.

The Rev. Lee Cate read from Philippians 3:1-11 and the Rev. A. R. Walker led in prayer.

The Conference Chorus sang "Gracious Spirit Dwell With Me." M. E. Ater directed the Chorus.

The devotional message was delivered by the Rev. C. S. Smith who gave a point by point exposition of Philippians 3:10, 11.

Business Session

The Secretary checked the Roll. Communications from absent members were read. The Chairman asked if any of the Elders of the Conference had a request for change in classification.

The Journal for Tuesday was read. Two corrections were noted. The Journal as read and corrected was approved. In connection with the reading of the Journal a discussion arose concerning the number of sessions the Miami Conference has had. The Conference instructed the Historical Committee to study the records of past sessions and to prepare a report for the next session showing the number of annual and of special sessions.

The resignation of Charles Martin as a Conference Trustee was presented. The resignation was accepted and the Nominating Committee was instructed to select nominees for the unexpired term. (See Report Number 37.)

The election of Conference Officials Part 1 was held.

Mrs. Floyd Mevis read the report of the United Seminary Auxiliary. The report was approved. (See Report Number 36.) Mrs. Mevis announced a meeting of the Auxiliary at 1:30 P. M. in the special dining room of Camp Miami.

President Walter N. Roberts, Ph.D., addressed the Conference. He told of the work, needs and achievements of United Theological Seminary. He also spoke briefly of the Ministers' Conference in July, of the United Crusade and of modern trends in theological education. The names of Mrs. Mevis and Dr. Roberts were referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

The report of the Tellers in the election of Conference Officials Part 1 was read. Bishop Dennis declared E. D. Bragg elected Secretary and E. H. Hammon elected Statistician. (See Report Number 20A.)

The Rev. Clayton Lutz, D.D., a superintendent, and the Rev. Carl Wilson of the Southeast Ohio Conference were introduced. President J. Gordon Howard, D.D., of Otterbein College was presented.

The Rev. Clifford Stearns read the report of the Committee on Christian Education. The report was adopted on motion. (See Report Number 8.)

The report of the Committee on Christian Social Action was read by the Rev. James Duvall. This report was adopted. (See Report Number 9.)

The Rev. J. Maurice Parsons presented a Special Resolution regarding a memorial to General Conference. (See Report Number 39.) W. W. Arnold offered a substitute motion to refer this resolution to the Conference Secretary of Christian Social Action and his committee for further study and recommendation to the next session of the Annual Conference. The substitute motion was voted and the Special Resolution was referred to the Standing Committee on Christian Social Action.

Mrs. Victor Burkett read the report of the Otterbein Home Auxiliary. The report was approved. (See Report Number 31.)

Miss Mary McKenzie, Treasurer of the Otterbein Home, was presented to the Conference. Miss McKenzie came to the Conference as the fraternal delegate of the Ohio Miami Branch W.S.W.S. Bishop Dennis requested her to also represent the Benevolent Homes due to the fact that Dr. C. W. Westfall, the designated speaker, was unable to keep his appointment. Miss McKenzie spoke on behalf of both interests. Her name and the name of Mrs. Victor Burkett was referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

Mr. Walter Ellison of the Otterbein Press presented catechetical materials available from the Press.

Announcements of committee meetings were made. A meeting of the Mutual Benefit Society was announced for the noon hour. Bishop Dennis announced a spiritual retreat for ministers of the Central Area to be held September 24-25 at Camp St. Marys, Ohio.

Dr. Clayton Lutz prayed the blessing upon the noon meal.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The organ prelude for the afternoon session was "Meditation" by Woodman.

The Director of Music led the Conference Assembly in the hymn, "All Nature Works His Praise Declares."

The Rev. Mr. Olin Feagin read selected passages of Scripture from II Corinthians, chapters 2, 3, and 4.

The Rev. Mr. John Ferich led in prayer.

Business Session

Bishop Dennis recognized several guests present at the Conference: Dr. Raymond Peters, Executive Secretary of the Church Federation of Greater Dayton; the Rev. Mr. Martin Cernak, new Director of Ministry to Public Institutions of the Church Federation of Greater Dayton; Dr. W. Henry Shillington, Executive Secretary of the Ohio Council of Churches, and Dr. B. F. Lamb, of the Temple of Good Will in Columbus, Ohio.

Dr. W. Henry Shillington was then introduced for greetings and a brief statement from the Ohio Council of Churches.

The Rev. Mr. J. Russell Dugan spoke representing the Ohio Temperance League, describing their program of education. The Rev. Mr. Dugan spoke for Dr. Lewis Berger, who could not be present.

The Rev. Mr. Donald Gorrell spoke, giving the report of the Ministry to Students in Ohio. (See Report Number 32.)

Dr. B. F. Lamb brought greetings and a brief statement from the Temple of Good Will project. Dr. Lamb requested that this Conference elect representatives to the Board of Directors of the Temple of Good Will. Our Conference could have four representatives, two laymen and two ministers. The proposal for elected representatives to this Board was opened to discussion by the Conference. It was voted that the election be authorized, and that the Committee on Nominations submit twice as many names needed on a ballot for the election.

Two panel discussions made up the remainder of the afternoon session. The first was entitled "An Effective Program of Stewardship and Missions." Members of the panel were: Carl Eschbach, chairman, Robert Foreman, W. W. Arnold, Paul Herrick, Frank Robinson, Gerald Geiger, and Carl Vorpe.

A Christian definition of Stewardship was presented, and then several aspects of the building and administration of a program of stewardship in the local church were discussed. Stewardship was defined as the full dedication to God's total claim on life, motivated by love and loyalty to His Kingdom, and finding expression in the life of the Church. Stewardship programs utilizing a stewardship committee, the Every Member Canvass and the fine materials available from the Administrative Offices of the Church were recommended.

Carl Robinson read the report of the Nominating Committee Part II. (See Report Number 20B.) The portion of this report dealing with the nomination of members of the Ohio Miami Church Extention Fund Committee was lifted from the report and these nominees were elected by voice vote of the Conference. (See Report Number 20D.)

The second panel discussed "A Dynamic Program of Evangelism and Christian Education." Members of the panel were: Lorin Stine, Chairman; Harvey Hahn, Charles Mesmer, Clifford Stearns, Allen Unger, Edward Ohms, and Herbert Dymale. The value of having an evangelism committee for the church was discussed; methods of evangelism for various age groups were presented; the motive of a genuine love for persons was stressed.

Questions from the members of the Conference were encouraged, and many members of the Conference participated in the question and answer exchange.

Bishop Dennis expressed the appreciation of the Conference for the panel presentations.

Announcements of committee meetings which are to be held this evening before the evening session were made.

Rev. George Duckwall led in prayer closing the session.

The Rev. Carl Vorpe served as Secretary of the afternoon session.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION

Mrs. Stine played "Arietta" by Stickles for the prelude to the evening session.

The Rev. Louis O. Odon, presiding for the evening, announced the hymn, "All Praise to Thee, My God."

The Scripture lesson, taken from Matthew 18:21-35, was read by the Rev. Gerald Stutzman. The Rev. Charles Loveless led in prayer.

We were led in the singing of the hymn, "God of Grace and God of Glory," by the Rev. Mr. Ater.

An offering was taken for Conference expense amounting to $38.75.

The Chairman announced a symposium upon the subject "New Ideas in Church Programming." Dr. M. B. Klepinger served as Chairman of the panel. Others in the panel were the Reverends J. C. Herbert, John A. Clippinger, Howard Hahn, Owen Delp, James Bergland and Edwin Pellett. Each of these men suggested an idea which had proved helpful in the work of his church.

The Rev. Louis Odon offered the closing prayer and pronounced a benediction.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

"Prayer" by Ambrosia was the prelude of the morning session.

Devotional Service

We sang "Breathe on Me Breath of God" under the direction of the Rev. Mr. Ater.

Selected portions of the eleventh chapter of the Book of Judges were read by the Rev. Ed Younken. Prayer was offered by the Rev. Robert Dille.

The Rev. J. C. Herbert brought a devotional message based upon the life of Jephthah, indicating some implications for our own day in the experience of this judge of the Hebrew people.

The Secretary checked the Roll.

The Journal for Wednesday was read; one correction was noted, and the Journal was approved.

Installation of Superintendent

Bishop Dennis installed Dr. W. K. Messmer as Superintendent of the Ohio Miami Conference using the installation service outlined in paragraph 2091 of the Discipline.

Business Session

Dr. Lorin Stine read the report of the Committee on Evangelism. The report was amended and approved as amended. (See Report Number 12.)

The Secretary presented the report of the Board of Ministerial Training. The report was approved. (See Report Number 29.)

Dr. Joe Hendrix presented the report of the Committee on Conference Relations. Items in this report were considered by the Elders of the Conference. The report was approved subject to approval of sections requiring a secret ballot. (See Report Number 11.) The ballot for validation of Probationers License and extension of time for the license of the Rev. Harley Brown was presented. An extended discussion regarding the status of Harley Brown ensued. It was voted to submit the validation of the Rev. Mr. Brown's license for one additional year to the vote of the Elders of the Conference.

Dr. J. P. Hendrix moved that the name of Roy F. Schutz be placed on the Roll of Itinerant Elders of the Conference when his ordination is completed.

Dr. Messmer moved that the name of Robert Hoover be referred to the Board of Bishops for clarification of his classification as an Elder of the Conference. Upon receipt of classification from the Board of Bishops, the Secretary was instructed to properly inscribe his name on the Roll of the Conference.

The attention of the Conference was called to the fact that approval of the report of the Committee on Conference Relations created a vacancy on the the Board of Ministerial Training. This vacancy was referred to the Nominating Committee which was instructed to submit two names of suitable persons from which a selection may be made.

A ballot was taken regarding the advancement of Roy F. Schutz and Robert Hoover to the office of Elder in the church.

The ballot for Conference officials, Part II, was taken.

Bishop F. L. Dennis read the report of the ballot on validation of Probationers' Licenses. (See Report Number 20E.)

The Rev. Carl Robinson read a supplemental report of the Nominating Committee. (See Report Number 20F.)

A Special Resolution regarding the Church Hymnal was presented by the Rev. Robert Copeland. The resolution was adopted. (See Report Number 40.)

The report of the Committee on Records was read by the Rev. Robert Copeland. Report was adopted. (See Report Number 17.)

Dr. O. O. Arnold, Editor of Sunday School Publications, was presented to the Conference. He spoke regarding the publishing interests of the church. He stated the Reverends Walter Arnold, Wayne Stine, C. R. Smith, Richard Hedges, Gerald Geiger, Allen L. Unger and W. Bryan Green are "Telescope-Messenger" quota winners for the year. He also presented the Conference two checks totaling $8,865.23, one from the Board of Publication in the amount of $6,528.17, the other in the amount of $2,337.06.

The Rev. C. C. Messmer presented the Study Book for next year entitled, "The Resources of the Church." Order blanks for the purchase of this book were distributed.

The report of the tellers in the vote on Ministerial Training and Temple of Good Will was read. (See Report Number 20F.)

The report of the Appropriations, Boundary and Finance Committee was read. The report was approved. (See Report Number 5.)

The report of the tellers in the election of Conference officials, Part II, was read. (See Report Number 20B.)

Since a tie resulted in two of the offices, a vote to break the tie was taken.

Announcements of committee meetings were made.

The closing prayer was offered by the Rev. E. R. Turner, D.D.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The organ prelude was entitled "Behold The Great Redeemer."

The congregation sang the hymn "These Things Shall Be."

The Rev. Roy Schutz read from Hebrews 2:1-8. The Rev. Robert Chastain voiced our prayer.

The report of the Ministerial Retirement Aid Board was read by Dr. J. P. Hendrix. The report was adopted. (See Report Number 28.)

Special Presentation

Dr. W. K. Messmer spoke briefly of the Special Session of the Ohio Miami Conference held February 16, 1957. He gave an outline of procedures developed since that time in planning for the Ohio Miami Conference Church Extension Fund. The promotion of this Fund is largely in the hands of a committee of 35 persons. The chairman of the committee is Mr. Vance Cribbs of Middletown.

Mr. Cribbs was introduced and spoke briefly of the plan to secure loans from individuals and churches to this Fund. The month of July has been set as the time when a campaign to secure such loans in the amount of $500,000 will be inaugurated.

Sheets indicating our interest in loans to this Fund were distributed to the members and visitors at the conference.

Business Session

The report of the tellers in the election to resolve the tie votes in the election of Conference Officials Part II was announced by Bishop Dennis. (See Report Number 20C.)

Mr. Morril W. Lucas, an executive of the Miami Valley Council, Boy Scouts of America, was introduced and spoke briefly regarding the help Scouting might provide in the program of the Church.

The report of the Committee on Ways and Means was presented by the Rev. Walter Miranda. This report was considered section by section and adopted by vote of the Conference. (See Report Number 23.)

The Rev. Ralph W. Tinsley read the report of the special committee on Equalization of Fringe Benefits. (See Report Number 13.) The report was referred back to the Committee for additional study.

A motion was made and voted that the Recording Secretary be authorized to edit and publish the minutes of this session.

Dr. Lorin S. Stine read the report of the Committee in Transportation. The report was adopted. (See Report Number 21.)

Dr. M. B. Klepiger read the report of the Committee on Boundaries. The report was adopted. (See Report Number 7.)

Mr. Vance Cribbs introduced Dr. Mabel Gardner of Middletown. Dr. Gardner is a Trustee of Otterbein College and one of the outstanding members of the medical profession in the Miami Valley. Dr. Gardner spoke regarding Otterbein College. Following her address, and at the suggestion of Bishop Dennis, the Conference joined in singing the Otterbein Love Song. The name of Dr. Gardner was referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

A special resolution regarding the Ohio Miami Conference Church Extension Fund was presented by Dr. C. B. Eschbach. The resolution was adopted. (See Report Number 41.)

Conference Calendars for 1957-1958 were distributed under the direction of Dr. Harvey C. Hahn.

It was voted to hold the 1958 session of the Ohio Miami Conference at Camp Miami, Germantown, Ohio June 10, 11, 12, 1958.

The Conference voted to adjourn sine die at the close of the evening meeting.

The Rev. James Frazier read the report of the Committee on Resolutions. The report was approved. (See Report Number 18.)

The Journal for Thursday was approved without reading.

Dr. W. K. Messmer stated that approximately 1/3 of the Churches of the Conference will be receiving new ministers this year. He urged lay members to interpret the Conference to the local congregation. He said the Annual Conference is really the Churches together. He solicited the prayers of all for the Churches who will receive new members that together ministers and people may advance in their work of the kingdom.

Bishop Dennis announced that a mail ballot election is now in process to determine a successor to the late Bishop Paul E. V. Shannon in the East Central Area. He said that he has been designated as a fraternal delegate to the Uniting Assembly of the Congregational Christian and Evangelical Reformed Churches in Cleveland, Ohio June 25-27, 1957. He also spoke in appreciation of his relationship with the Ohio Miami Conference — his home Conference. He closed his remarks by reading and commenting upon the Code of Ethics for ministers as found in paragraph 2501 of the Discipline.

Announcements were made concerning the evening session and the serving of the meal.

Closing prayer by the Rev. Earl Stockslager.

THURSDAY EVENING SESSION

Prelude — "Devotion" Schreiner.

The Service of Ordination

Call to Worship by W. K. Messmer.

Hymn — "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name."

Presentation of Robert Hoover, Belmont Church and Roy Schutz, High Street Church by the Secretary for the service of ordination as Elders of the Church of the Evangelical United Brethren Church.

Walter Schutz, father of Roy Franklin Schutz served as his sponsor; M. B. Klepinger served in a similar capacity for Robert Hoover. The ritual of ordination as outlined in paragraph 2080 was followed as Dr. W. K. Messmer assisted Bishop F. L. Dennis in conducting the ritual and receiving the vows from the ordinates. The examination of the ordinates was conducted by Bishop Dennis with each of the ordinates indicating his assent as prescribed by the Discipline. Following the laying on of hands and confering of authority each of the ordinates was presented a certificate of ordination. Each of the ordinates was presented a Bible by the Annual Conference. Bishop Dennis pronounced a benediction upon the lives of these young men.

Superintendent W. K. Messmer made announcements regarding the active participation of lay members in this session of the Annual Conference.

An offering for Conference expense amounting to $188.59 was received.

The choir of the Vandalia Church under the direction of Henry Hinshaw sang an arrangement of the Beatitudes by Evans. Walter Greason was soloist and Miss Dorothy Smith was accompanist.

Bishop Dennis brought the ordination sermon using as his subject "Called and Commissioned". The Bishop introduced his sermon by reading from Exodus 3:1-12. This sermon was a description of the call of a minister and the nature of his task. He closed by pleading for a "burden of prayer" by ministers and laymen to bring men into the ministry.

The Vandalia Choir sang the "Sanctus" by Gounod with Milo Martz taking the solo part.

Certificates of licenture were presented to Sidney Davis and Charles Selby.

A Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Clarence Smith for forty-two years of service in the christian ministry.

Bishop Dennis read the report of the Committee on Assignments. (See Report Number 1.)

Bishop Dennis prayed the benediction and declared the 148th session of the Ohio Miami Conference at an end.

EMERSON D. BRAGG, Secretary

SPECIAL SESSION

Ohio Miami Conference - Dayton First Church

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1957

1:30 P. M.

Devotional Period

Mrs. Beatrice Isenhart, organist of First Church, played a number of appropriate selections as the Conference assembled.

Bishop Dennis directed the devotional period which included the singing of "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee"; an invocation by Bishop Dennis; a Scripture lesson consisting of selected portions of Matthew, chapter six; the hymn, "I Gave My Life For Thee"; and prayers by the Rev. J. P. Hendrix, D.D., and Mr. W. C. Arthur.

Business Session

Bishop Dennis declared a special session of the Ohio Miami assembled in the Name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, as authorized by the last session of the Annual Conference.

The Secretary called the Roll with the following ministers responding: Ambrose Aegerter, W. W. Arnold, Donald Baker, James W. Bergland, John K. Bergland, Emerson D. Bragg, Elmer Edwin Burtner, Paul E. Chastain, Ira C. Clark, John A. Clippinger, Robert Copeland, Owen Delp, Fred L. Dennis, George W. Duckwall, James B. Duvall, Herbert Dymale, Carl B. Eschbach, Demi Edwards, Robert Foreman, James Vincent Frazier, Jr., Gerald Geiger, Don E. Gillespie, W. Bryan Green, Maurice Gribler, Eugene Griffith, Carl W. Hahn, Jr., Howard Hahn, Harvey Hahn, Dana Heaton, Richard Hedges, Joe P. Hendrix, William E. Hensley, Paul M. Herrick, Francis Huber, Kannel Ireland, Howard James, Ivan Jenkins, Murn B. Klepinger, Grover D. Letner, Charles C. Messmer, Harold J. Messmer, William K. Messmer, Roy D. Miller, Richard A. Miller, Walter N. Miranda, Dwayne Myers, Louis O. Odon, Edward F. Ohms, J. Maurice Parsons, Edwin Pellett, Robert V. Pelton, James H. Riley, Carl Robinson, Frank E. Robinson, Walter N. Roberts, Clarence S. Smith, Henry P. Snapp, Clifford D. Stearns, Lorin S. Stine, Earl Stockslager, Ralph W. Tinsley, Earl W. Toy, E. R. Turner, Allen Unger, Rev. E. S. Comrey, Rev. E. H. Nichols, Walter H. Sinks, O. D. Wellbaum. The Reverends John Bench, W. I. Comfort, Harold Brown, William Worth and Carl Vorpe were excused to care for pastoral responsibilities.

Lay Members responding to the Roll Call were W. A. Hohn, Conference Treasurer; Abbotsville-Caylor Chapel, Mr. Willie Crick; Arlington — Mrs. Ruth Brooks; Brookville — Mr. Berlin Beachler; Castine-Weaver Station — Mrs. Mildred Fischback; Clayton — Mrs. Harold Binkley; Eldorado — Mrs. Walter Haller; Lewisburg — Mrs. E. P. Trittschuh; New Hope — Mr. Edwin Moyer; New Madison — Mrs. Carey Shelly; Rossburg Circuit — Mr. Frank Heistand; Union City — Mr. David Price; Verona — Mr. Tom Walker; Waterhouse-Hillgrove — Mrs. Bernice Pratt; West Manchester — Mr. Harvey Geeting; Yankeetown — Mrs. Zora Windmiller; Farmersville — Mrs. Vernelle Millikin; Germantown — Mrs. Elmer Grossnickel; Greenbush — Mrs. Mable Crauder; Hamilton First — Mr. Oscar Gast; Hamilton Ninth — Mr. C. A. Benzing; Middletown — Mrs. Vance E. Cribbs; Otterbein Home — Miss Esther George; Springboro — Mr. Ernest Arnold; State Road — Mrs. Hazel Mullendore; Union Chapel — Mrs. Ethel Wilson; Bevis — Mrs. Howard Hoock; Cheviot — Mrs. Elmer Werner; Dunlap — Mrs. Lena Young; Mt. Airy — Mr. Fred Luderer; New Haven-Harrison — Mr. Milton Knollman; Zion — Mrs. Rachel Steele; Beavertown — Mr. Marvin Wagner; Eastmont — Mr. William Goddard; Englewood — Mrs. Carolyn Burroughs; Euclid Avenue — Mr. W. O. Clark; Fairview — Mr. Charles Martin; First Church — Mr. W. C. Arthur; Ft. McKinley — Mr. Hubert Fellers; Hartford Street — Mrs. Olive Fritz; Liberty — Miss Doris Marker; Miami Chapel — Mrs. Leslie Van Tine; Miami Valley — Mr. Earl Baker; Miamisburg — Mr. H. V. Bear; Oak Street — Mr. Harry Kiefaber; Oakwood — Mrs. W. E. Chaney; Otterbein — Mr. W. C. Reichert; Residence Park — Mrs. Leroy Haeseker; Riverside — Mrs. Myrtle Rike; Southern Hills — Mr. H. G. Hammink; Sulphur Grove — Mrs. Viola Trumbo; Trinity — Mrs. Robert R. Clark; Troy Street — Mrs. Blanche Yinger; Vandalia — Mr. Orville Cotterman; Wagner Chapel — Mr. Walter Burk; Fletcher — Mr. Jesse Netzley; Lagonda — Mrs. Julia Detrick; Piqua — Mr. Earl Applegett; Rosewood — Mrs. Roy Clark; Xenia — Mr. Donald Shipley.

Dr. W. K. Messmer, Conference Superintendent, moved that Ralph Eubank, Arcanum; Miss Luretta Kriete, Millville; Andrew Jones, College Hill (Cincinnati); Carl Epley, High St. (Dayton); Horace Jackson, Clough; Mrs. Mildred Prosser, Bowlusville; Jack Rankin, Aley; Harry Haines, Phillipsburg; Arthur Wall, Wayne Avenue (Dayton); Inez Strawser, Pottsdam and Mrs. Thelma Elgy, Oregonia be recognized as duly elected representatives of their respective local churches and granted advisory relations in this special session. The motion was seconded by Dr. Carl B. Eschbach. The Conference voted the motion and Bishop Dennis declared the people named in the motion to be advisory members of this special session of the Ohio Miami Conference.

Superintendent Messmer made a statement of the purpose of this special session. He spoke of the need for increased funds for help in Church building and of the work of a special committee appointed to study this need. He expressed appreciation for the work of the committee and asked the Conference to give careful and honest consideration to the proposal which will be presented.

Dr. C. B. Eschbach, Chairman of this special Committee, spoke a tribute to the members of the Committee for their workk and their enthusiasm. He then read the report of this Committee. Dr. Eschbach moved the acceptance of the report and the adoption of the resolutions in the report. Dr. Lorin Stine seconded the motion. There was extended discussion of the report and its resolutions covering all of its phases and implications. Following the extended discussion a vote by secret ballot was taken.

The Reverends Allen Unger, Owen Delp, James Frazier, Robert Hoppe, Howard Hahn, Kannel Ireland, Frank Robinson, Clifford Stearns and Mr. Tom Walker were appointed to serve as tellers.

Dr. W. K. Messmer presented a statement of the assets and liabilities of the Conference Corporation and made an explanation of the same. (See Report No. 2.)

Bishop Dennis announced the report of the tellers: 125 votes were cast; 109 for, 16 no. The report and its resolutions were declared adopted. (See Report No. 1.)

Dr. Eschbach presented an Enabling Act to implement the resolutions. Dr. Eschbach moved the adoption of the act. Rev. Ivan Jenkins seconded the motion. The motion was amended to make it read that the Advisory Committee and its Executive Committee should be elected annually. The motion as amended was adopted by vote of the Conference. (See Report No. 3.)

The Rev. Grover Letner, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, submitted a list of nominees of persons to serve as an Advisory Committee. Mr. Letner moved the adoption of the Nominating Committee's report and the election of the people named therein by acclamation. The motion was properly seconded and adopted. (See Report No. 4.)

Bishop Dennis announced that the denominational Board of Ministerial Training will meet at Naperville, Illinois on Sept. 10-12, 1957. He also announced a meeting of the Secretaries of Stewardship and a Superintendent from each of the Ohio Conferences at Westerville February 26, 1957.

It was moved, properly supported and voted that the record of this special session be approved and included in the Minutes of the 1957 Annual Session.

Dr. Messmer commented upon the excellent attendance at this special session by both ministers and laymen.

It was voted to adjourn this special session of the Ohio Miami Conference.

Bishop F. L. Dennis prayed the benediction.

FRED L. DENNIS, Bishop

EMERSON D. BRAGG, Secretary

SPECIAL SESSION

Report No. 1

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FUND RAISING FOR CHURCH EXTENSION

The Committee appointed by the Bishop and the Conference Superintendent to explore avenues of finance for Church Extension purposes has considered and reviewed carefully the past and the present plan of financing our Conference Missions and Church Extension Program. In the light of this informative and constructive record and in the estimated strength of our people we believe our Conference stands at the beginning of a forward movement for Christ and His Kingdom. Our future plans to answer this opportunity will require that the entire membership of our Conference unite in a prayerful and positive and dedicated course of action.

We, therefore, your Committee propose the following resolutions:

RESOLVED, that the Annual Conference Corporation be, and hereby is authorized to establish a Conference Church Extension Fund, and for that purpose it is hereby authorized to borrow from time to time upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper or convenient such sums as may in its judgment be needed, up to an aggregate amount of $500,000.00, exclusive of interest.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Annual Conference Corporation be, and is hereby authorized to lend upon recommendation of the Conference Board of Missions for capital improvements to Local Churches and Conference Mission Projects, such loans to be upon such terms and conditions as the Corporation may deem advisable.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Annual Conference Corporation be, and is hereby authorized, within its discretion, to do all acts and things necessary, proper, or convenient to implement the powers hereby conferred.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing resolutions shall be deemed Standing Resolutions of the Ohio Miami Conference of The Evangelical United Brethren Church; provided, however, nothing contained in any of said resolutions shall be construed as limiting the power of the Corporation to renew or extend any corporate indebtedness existing as of February 16, 1957 or its corporate authority to guarantee at any time and from time to time obligations of any Local Church pursuant to The Discipline of The Evangelical United Brethren Church.

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FUND RAISING COMMITTEE

SPECIAL SESSION

Report No. 2

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

THE OHIO MIAMI CONFERENCE

February 16, 1957

This is property for which the Conference Trustees hold title and legally negotiate for obligations. These local church assets and obligations will be transferred at an appropriate time to the Trustees of the Local Mission Churches.

DESCRIPTION	ASSETS	LIABILITY
Camp Miami		
*Buildings	$ 204,500.00	**$ 9,000.00
*Contents & Equip.	8,400.00	
*Program Director's Manse	12,000.00	
Land — 25 acres	25,000.00	
Conference Manse, 927 Cumberland	18,000.00	
Program Director's Manse (as above)	12,000.00	
	$ 30,000.00	
Mortgage — Balance Real Estate Foundation		17,600.00
Conference Office Equipment	1,000.00	
Conference Mission Property		
St. Marks, Hamilton		
Original Land	$ 5,000.00	
Parsonage	24,000.00	
Balance Mortgage, Dollar Federal Bldg. Loan		15,800.00
New Church Building (actual cost)	43,003.00	
Anthony Wayne House	22,000.00	
Balance Mortgage, Citizens Bank, Hamilton		18,645.00
Equipment	2,400.00	
Balance Due, A. Benzing & Sons		8,203.00
Eastmont		
Original Land	1,200.00	
Buildings & Equipment	32,000.00	
Parsonage	14,400.00	
***Balance on Mortgage, Dr. A. D. Cook		8,000.00
Normandy		
Purchase Price	125,000.00	
Balance Mortgage, held by R. Richard Grant		100,000.00

Additional Liabilities of the Conference — Secured by Note	Balance Due
Flat Rock Home	15,000.00
Otterbein Home	3,000.00
New Madison Church	16,000.00
Not Secured by Note	
General Current Fund	4,000.00
Student Aid Fund	1,000.00
Camp Miami	1,500.00

Total Value of Assets of Property Held by the Trustees of the Ohio Miami Conference $537,903.00

Total Liability $218,748.00

Gross Total Assets above Liabilities $319,155.00

Listed Contingent Liabilities — "Note co-signed by the Conference Trustees"

Church	Department	Original Loan	Balance
Brookville	Church Extension Dept.	20,000.00	16,221.77
Lewisburg	" " "	4,000.00	4,000.00
Lagonda	" " "	20,000.00	16,000.00
Ft. McKinley	" " "	20,000.00	4,000.00
Fairview	" " "	20,000.00	8,000.00
Wares Chapel	" " "	10,000.00	1,000.00
Riverside		3,990.00	200.00
Lagonda	Haven Hubbard Home	15,000.00	6,000.00
Ft. McKinley	Flat Rock Home	10,000.00	5,000.00
****Beavertown	(A Member)	70,000.00	70,000.00

Total Contingent Liability		60,421.77
Assets	$537,903.00	
Total Liabilities (Direct)	218,748.00	
Gross Total Assets above Liability	319,155.00	
Contingent Liabilities as listed	60,421.77	
Net Worth	$258,733.23	

NOTATIONS

*This is appraisal made by insurance company.

**This $9000 liability is a note to Otterbein College. Money for the retirement of this note is anticipated in receipts in the Camp Miami Campaign, presently in its fifth year.

***The Eastmont Church makes the payments to the Conference and the Conference in turn pays Dr. A. D. Cook.

****The Beavertown note is the sole incumbrance on the total property is if considered a liability must also entitle the Conference to list it as an asset. We have not therefore calculated this figure in our totals.

It should be also noted that in other Contingent Liabilities the property is in several instances unincumbered with mortgages. These churches are — Lewisburg, Ware's Chapel and Riverside. Nonetheless, we have deducted from our net worth the liability.

It should also be noted that the Cash in Church Extension Funds is not here listed. The sum is not large.

SPECIAL SESSION

Report No. 3

ENABLING ACTS

Whereas,

The Program of Fund Raising for Church Extension will entail Conference wide participation, requiring all the capable assistance we can muster and

Whereas,

the information and opportunity to share one's resources must be told in every Church in the Conference,

RESOLVED,

that an Advisory Committee on Church Extension be elected consisting of thirty-five members designated as follows:

Four laymen and one minister from each District of the Conference,

Five members at large are to be elected,

in addition to which the following officers will serve as members of the Committee —

The Bishop

The Conference Superintendent

The Conference Program Director

The Executive Secretary of the Board of Missions.

The Committee will be elected annually by the Annual Conference. Any vacancies on the Committee may be filled by the Conference Council of Administration upon nomination of the Bishop and Conference Superintendent.

FURTHER RESOLVED,

that the Advisory Committee on Church Extension may augment its membership on the District level by the addition of such persons as may assist the Committee with its work.

FURTHER RESOLVED,

that the Advisory Committee on Church Extension shall organize by election of a Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary. They shall elect annually an Executive Committee composed of at least one member from each District. The Bishop and Conference Superintendent, Program Director and Executive Secretary of the Board of Missions shall be members of the Executive Committee.

C. B. ESCHBACH, Chairman

SPECIAL SESSION

Report No. 4

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

FOR ADVISORY CHURCH EXTENSION COMMITTEE

Northwest

Duane Hockensmith	Union City
John Jones	Greenville
George Share	Phillipsburg
Fred Fauver	Clayton
Frank Robinson	

West

Vance Cribbs	Middletown
E. A. Zehring	Germantown
Laurence Todt	Hamilton Ninth Street
Richard Arnold	Hamilton First
John Bench	

Southwest

Milton Knollman	New Haven
Ernest Floyd	Clifton
Clifford Wittmyer	Clough
Kenneth Smith	Cheviot
Allen Unger	

Southeast

Steve Sonner	East Danville
Floyd Bwoen	Union Plains
Hymen Collins	Hillsboro
Howard Euverard	Mowrystown
Gerald Geiger	

Central

H. G. Hammink	Southern Hills
Orlo Medsgar	Beavertown
Dr. A. D. Cook	Belmont
Hubert Fellers	Ft. McKinley
Walter Miranda	

Northeast

Elton Tavenner	Lagonda
J. Richard Hill	Fletcher
Roy Fridley	Piqua
Waldo Michael	New Hope
Clifford Stearns	

At Large

Paul Herrick	Normandy
Frank Butts	Wayne Ave.
Louis Ernst	Euclid
G. H. McConaughy	Fairview
Harvey Shute	

Bishop F. L. Dennis
Wm. K. Messmer
Charles Messmer
Carl Eschbach

GROVER LETNER, Chairman

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Report No. 1

REPORT OF THE STATIONING COMMITTEE

OHIO MIAMI CONFERENCE

Wm. K. Messmer, Conference Superintendent

Charles C. Messmer, Conference Program Director

Northwest Group

Group Ministerial Leader — Walter Arnold

Lay Group Leader — John Jones

Abbotsville, Caylor Chapel — Bernard J. Varner
Antioch — William Worth
*Arcanum — Paul Chastain
Arlington — Keith Day
Brookville — Walter Arnold
*Castine, Yankeetown — John Sass
Clayton — Robert Copeland
*Eaton — Donald Lockhart
*Eldorado — William Anderson
*Greenville — Earl Toy
Ithaca — Lee Cate
Nashville — Robert Dille
Lewisburg — Kannel Ireland
*New Madison — Howard Hahn
New Hope — Sidney Davis
Otterbein, Savona — James Riley
Phillipsburg — Howard James
*Pyrmont — Donald Heacock
Potsdam, West Sonora — Harley Brown
Rossburg Circuit — Gerald Stutzman
*Union City — Frank Robinson
Verona — Ivan Jenkins
Wares Chapel — Wayne Stine
Waterhouse — A. R. Walker
Weaver Station — In care of Otterbein-Savona Local Conference
*West Manchester — Everett Aldstadt

West Group

Group Ministerial Leader — John Bench

Lay Group Leader — C. A. Benzing

Farmersville — Richard Miller
Germantown — John Bench
*Greenbush — Leo Waynick
Hamilton, First — John Clippinger
Hamilton, Ninth St. — Olin Feagin
Hamilton, St. Marks — Dana Heaton
Jacksonburg — Robert Chastain
*Johnsville — Henry Snapp
*Maple Park, West Elkton — Thomas Adams
Middletown — E. H. Hammon
Millville — George Duckwall
*Otterbein Home — Ira Clark
Oregonia — Harrison Anderson
Pleasant Ridge — William I. Comfort
*Springboro — John Ferich
State Road — Ed Younken
Union Chapel — Francis Huber
*Utica — W. H. Harrell

Southwest Group

Group Ministerial Leader — Charles Fryman

Lay Group Leader — Milton Knollman

*Bevis — Edgar Schrader
*Cherry Grove, Five Mile — Herbert Dymale
Cheviot — Grover Letner
Clifton — J. C. Herbert
Clough — Charles Fryman
College Hill — James Duvall
*Dunlap — Benjamin Grant
*Hyde Park — James Frazier
Mt. Airy — Maurice Gribler
Mt. Healthy — Robert Pelton
New Haven, Harrison — W. Bryan Green
Newport — Donald Baker
*North Bend — Harold Messmer
Willey Memorial — James Miller
Zion — Allen Unger

Central Group

Group Ministerial Leader — Walter Miranda
Lay Group Leader — G. H. McConaughy

Aley — Robert Hoppe
Beavertown — E. R. Turner
Beardshear — Carl Vorpe
Belmont — M. B. Klepinger
* Assistant — Charles Perkins
Drexel — Rankin Roach
Eastmont — Dwayne Myers
Englewood — James Bergland
Euclid Avenue — Emerson Bragg
Assistant — William Hensley
Fairview — Lorin Stine
Assistant — J. Maurice Parsons
First Church — Paul Herrick
Assistant — Edward Ohms
Ft. McKinley — Carl Eschbach
Hartford St. — H. G. Clark (Supply)
*High St. — Carl Robinson
Liberty — John Bergland
*Miami Chapel — Kyle Phipps
*Miami Valley — Harvey Smith
Miamisburg — Ambrose Aegerter
Normandy — Milford Ater
*Oak Street — Demi Edwards
Oakwood — Harold Brown
Otterbein — Harvey C. Hahn
Residence Park — D. E. Gillespie
*Riverside — Kenneth Jenkins
Southern Hills — Ralph Tinsley
Trinity — Robert Foreman
Sulphur Grove — Edwin Pellett
Troy Street — Owen Delp
Vandalia — Walter N. Miranda
Wagner — James Conley
Wayne Avenue — Louis Odon
Zion — Richard Hedges

Southeast Group

Group Ministerial Leader — Gerald Geiger
Lay Group Leader — to be appointed

Batavia — Gerald Geiger
*Blanchester Circuit — James Clayton
*Brown County Parish — Robert VanGilder
Hillsboro, Bethany, East Danville — Elmer Bosworth
*Mowrystown — Richard Hayes
Wrightsville, Liberty Chapel — Wyvonne Freeman

Northeast Group

Group Ministerial Leader — J. P. Hendrix
Lay Group Leader — Ernest Saul

*Bowlusville — Roy Schutz
*Columbus Avenue — Craig South
Fletcher — J. P. Hendrix
Ginghamsburg — Carl Hahn
Lagonda — Clifford Stearns
Lockington, New Hope — Charles Kuhns
Piqua — Eugene Griffith
*Rosewood — Myron Ketron
Xenia — Earl Stockslager

Itinerant Elders Serving in Recognized Fields of Service

O. O. Arnold — Editor of Sunday School Publications
E. E. Burtner — Professor, United Theological Seminary
E. H. Dailey — Executive Secretary, Temperance Education Foundation
Philip Deever — Professor of Bible and Religion, Otterbein College
Fred L. Dennis — Bishop Central Area
Robert Hoover — Student at Bowling Green State University
J. Gordon Howard — President, Otterbein College
Forrest Garner — Admissions Counsellor, Otterbein College
Joseph B. Henry — Family Counsellor
Bruce Herrick — Professor at Whealock College, Boston, Massachusetts
James McQuiston — Missionary to Africa
Roy D. Miller — Professor, United Theological Seminary
Walter N. Roberts — President, United Theological Seminary
Walter Schutz — Treasurer, United Theological Seminary
Harry Sinks — Home Missions appointment in Kentucky
George Young — Chaplain, U. S. Army
Robert Ryder — Secretary of Council of Churches, Attleboro, Massachusetts

F. L. DENNIS
W. K. MESSMER

Report No. 2

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE SUPERINTENDENT

To our esteemed Bishop Dennis, ministerial and lay members and friends of the Ohio Miami Annual Conference — we meet in the name of Christ and under the direction of the Holy Spirit. Unless this be true, and I believe it is, all else is vain. No one serves in the capacity of a superintendent without the assistance of Christ and I least of all. My dependence upon Him increases. We tend to utilize human judgments and we talk in mundane terms but we are dealing with holy matters here.

May I express appreciation for the constant counsel of Bishop Dennis. We work together in the same office, and I have the advantage of frequent conversations on the work of the Conference.

"In Memoriam"

We have been saddened this year by the loss of five members of our ministerial family. Early in June, 1956 Mrs. Ruth Henry, wife of the Rev. Joe Henry, passed away in California where the family now resides.

Last November J. L. Armstrong, after a series of complications, succumbed to an illness which began with a heart attack while he was in attendance at his district fall institute at College Hill. He gave more than 40 years to the ministry in our Conference.

The entire church was shocked by the tragic death of Bishop and Mrs. D. T. Gregory which came so suddenly on December 27, 1956. While Bishop Gregory achieved great recognition in our denomination and in interdenominational circles, he was an intimate friend in our Conference fellowship. You will recall that he served as our presiding officer two years ago while Bishop Dennis was on deputation in Europe. Mrs. Gregory, who was the Bishop's constant companion, leaves us all with a sense of loss.

Mrs. M. E. Gibson, long a widow in our Conference family, her husband M. E. Gibson having passed away in 1927, died during the year. Appropriate tribute has already been paid to these comrades in His service.

"The Ministry"

There have been several pastoral changes since the last Annual Conference. Early in the year Donald VanDyke resigned the New Hope Church in Preble County. Sidney Davis was appointed. Paul Sharp resigned the Oak Street pastorate in November. The Student Assistant Charles Loveless served as interim pastor with Dean J. B. Behney and Dr. I Batdorf sharing the responsibility for the preaching ministry. These men all deserve our commendation for leading this strong church through these recent months. George Rodgers resigned the Utica Church because of ill health and Richard Templeton served as pastor for the remainder of the year. Following the death of J. L. Armstrong the Bevis Church was supplied by Mr. Jack Strong. Jack is a student in the College of Pharmacy at the University of Cincinnati. He has been a life-long member of the College Hill Church, and for several years served as president of our Conference Youth Fellowship. Still another pastoral change was necessary due to the resignation of Donald Harbaugh at the Riverside Church. Ronald Lynch was appointed to serve for the remainder of the year. James Allen resigned the Miami Valley Church and Carson Troup completed the assignment. The Weaver Station has been supplied during the year by several men particularly Robert Hoover and George Rodgers.

I have long since concluded that when you are dealing with 107 men serving the churches of the Conference there are many necessities for adjustment and while this seems inevitable, I must continue to urge the men to consider the seriousness of a broken pastoral relationship and short of utter necessity be faithful to each assignment.

One of our faithful servants, Clarence S. Smith, will request superannuated relationship. Somewhat impaired health urges this request a little earlier than might otherwise be the case. His request for this status is referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

Roy Schutz and Robert Hoover have graduated from United Seminary and are referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for recommendation for ordination.

Carleton Spencer has moved his residence to our Conference area and his credentials are in hand from the Iowa Conference. His name is referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

Charles Keller is requesting the transfer of his credentials to the Ohio East Conference. His name is referred to the above-named Committee.

Edgar Shrader is receiving an appointment in our Conference and brings his credentials from the California Conference and should be received into membership upon receipt of his credentials from that Conference. His name is also referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

The Probationers' credentials of the following men are recommended for renewal: Kenneth Campbell, Robert Chastain, Robert Eschbach, Benjamin Grant, Robert Hoppe, Kenneth Jenkins, Myron Ketron, Charles Kuhns, Raymond Puckett, Charles Ruth, David Schneider, Harvey Smith and Craig South.

Richard VanTine and Harley Brown have exceeded the time limit for the maintaining of a Probationer relationship without special action by the Conference and are hereby referred for this consideration to the Committee on Conference Relations.

The following men are recommended for the granting of Probationers' Credentials: Sidney Davis of the Brookville Church, Charles Selby of the Oak Street Church, Ronald Hill of the Liberty Church, Raymond Merz of the Clough Church, and James Geiger of Batavia subject to the completion of his educational requirements.

The following churches have provided me with names of young men considering the ministry: Ft. McKinley, Union Chapel, Otterbein Home, Residence Park, Cherry Grove, Euclid Avenue, Rosewood, Belmont, Normandy, Mt. Airy (2), Arcanum, Clayton, Hyde Park, Lagonda (2), Greenville, Potsdam, and Beardshear. I have transmitted the names and addresses of these 19 young men to M. B. Klepinger the secretary of the Board of Ministerial Training for further counsel.

May I continue to urge our churches to discover young men who offer good promise for the Christian ministry. Far too many of our strategic churches are in the hands of student pastors, who while on the whole are doing commendable service, find themselves with too little time and experience to lead the churches to achieve their best. We face the fact that the course of training in the seminary requires a great deal of time and energy. For this we make no complaint, but we are constantly confronted with fractional ministry retarding the development of the churches. Another very serious aspect in the churches served by student pastors is the pattern of frequent pastoral changes.

The team of the ministers of the Conference are doing an outstanding job and in most cases give faithful service. I cannot refrain from calling the attention of the lay members of the Conference that the frequent changes of pastors is not often the solution to deep-seated local church controversies. The concept of a local church being a Christian community where the give and take of differences of opinion should make a stronger fellowship is tragically absent.

Some churches have an outstanding record of trying to adequately support the minister by increasing pastors' salaries. The average salary and cash allowances for all full-time ministers is only slightly under $5000 per year, which is a commendable average. May I request the Ways and Means Committee to consider the wisdom of raising the minimum salary standard which has not been increased in three years. I have prepared for the use of the Ways and Means Committee a factual report of the salary and allowances of all the ministers of the Conference.

"The Churches"

A study of the records of the recent years will show some of our churches making remarkable progress. Some, sadly, are not making any gains. While I, least of all, desire to be critical of these churches, for many of them face

terrific problems of community change; we cannot in honest churchmanship leave the problems unfaced. The church must minister to the community in which it is placed or it has no chance of survival to say nothing of growth. When the community does not grow, the church of course reflects this fact. I am therefore providing for the Committee on Evangelism the names of the churches where no members were received this year. I would like to request the Committee on Evangelism to explore the needs of these churches and provide such help as can be given to assist them. This request does not imply that all churches not growing are to be criticized, but they must be encouraged. I am asking the Committee to talk with the minister and the lay member in each of such charges.

The Commission on Evangelism will recommend a program next year intended to revitalize persons already members of our churches, but this will not discourage the necessity of growth by accessions. As a matter of fact we need to have about a six per cent increase to stay even. Church attendance will be one of emphasis for this next year.

The physical enlargement and improvement of property occupy the attentions of a number of our churches this year. New buildings and additions were completed at the following churches: Antioch, Brookville, Greenville, Ithaca, Pyrmont, Heistand, Verona, Farmersville, Liberty Chapel, Beavertown, Englewood, Oak Street and Wayne Avenue.

Alterations of more than minor character have been completed at the following churches within the existing structures: West Sonora, Johnsville, High Street.

New buildings are in progress of construction at the following churches: Springboro, Mt. Healthy, Dayton First Church and Dayton Otterbein.

New buildings are in fairly immediate prospect at the following churches: New Madison, Pleasant Ridge, Union Chapel, College Hill, Union Plains, Aley, Eastmont, Residence Park, Southern Hills and Wagner.

New parsonages have been secured by purchase at the following churches: Castine, Hamilton First, Jacksonburg and Drexel.

A new parsonage is under construction at Bevis.

In addition to the above mentioned accomplishments many of the churches added to their equipment significantly; new organs, chimes, new pastor's studies and church offices, as well as other improvements which possibly deserve our commendation.

In connection with this list of building activities I would like to express my appreciation to the Board of Missions and its Executive Committee for their willing service in guidance to the churches.

One of the aspects of church life where note-worthy achievement is to be noted is in the area of Stewardship. Many of our churches in the Dayton area have for the second year participated in the United Church Canvass. The success of this effort is very exciting. I am pleased also that some of our ministers are leaders in this community-wide project. During the series of local conferences I discovered these facts in stewardship: 72 of our churches operate on a planed budget, however, only 28 churches conducted an every-member-enlistment campaign. To put it in reverse, 72 churches plan their budget but 44 of them do not conduct any canvass. Twenty-six churches do not plan a budget and of course do not have any program of enlistment.

This means that a vast majority of our churches do little to acquaint each member at least in a personal way with the requirements of operating the church. This is certainly not very wise planning to set up an expenditure budget and fail to develop the income budget with equal care. Need I say that most of our churches that have financial trouble do very little to interpret their program to the people.

I am aware of the wide-spread resistance of many people to pledging to the church, even though our entire secular financial structure is based on pledging in one way or another. It is my conviction, however, that an every member enlistment which interprets person to person the needs of the church will increase our resources should no pledges at all be forth coming. It is a mistake to let the opposition of those unwilling to make a pledge determine that no one in the church should make a pledge.

In the near future two of our men are being sent to a Workshop on Stewardship, sponsored by the National Council, at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin.

We hope they will come back with guidance for churches that need leadership in these areas.

You will be interested to know also that the Stewardship secretaries of the Ohio Conferences are exploring the possibility of a vigorous program of stewardship for the entire state. We should not wait on these developments to improve our local church programs of stewardship. Nevertheless, we can anticipate some help in this work.

I have some statistics which will prove interesting and I hope stimulating. I have made a study of certain vital statistics of some of our churches in the last eight years. This does not include the 20 new churches that have become a part of our family during this eight-year period. May I say parenthetically that some of these new churches have the most impressive records.

During these years we have increased our membership 7.9 per cent. We have increased our church attendance records by 30.6 per cent, which means that our proportion of attendance in church to the membership has made an excellent growth.

Our Sunday school enrollment has increased 14.8 per cent, while the attendance has increased 19 per cent. This too, obviously, is a good record.

We cannot escape the fact that our benevolent giving record needs constant improvement. None the less we have made the following record in total giving for all benevolent causes, an increase of 82.5 per cent. It is a tribute to our pastors' service motive that while benevolent giving has increased so markedly, cash salaries have increased only 57.2 per cent. We should look again at pastors' salaries when you know that giving to all purposes has increased 80.9 per cent.

The per capita giving comparison which includes all the churches is as follows: in 1949 per capita giving to benevolence increased from $5.00 to $8.22 or 64.4 per cent; the per capita giving for all purposes was $32.00 and at the end of last year the giving was $54.33 per member or a 60.9 per cent increase. These figures, incidentally, do not include the year just closed. The other statistics of the Conference year, 1956-57, will be reported by the Statistician.

There are many conclusions which you may draw from these figures. On the whole they all indicate progress. I think it would be fruitful if all of our churches would make a long-time study of its own statistical record. I have in my possession the details of a plan used in the Illinois Conference. We can use many of their ideas to make a detailed study of our Conference church by church. Such a detailed study ought to be a very compelling challenge to all of our churches.

In acordance with the recommendation of the Ways and Means Committee of the 1956 Session, many of our churches improved their business procedures and organizational structure. Here and there are the painful problems that arise because the Discipline is not faithfully followed. The Discipline is the product of the history of our denomination and its work. It is written for local churches and the temptation to abridge the rules should be resisted by the product of the history of our denomination and its work. It is written for pastor and people. It cannot but end in conflict. In this connection, the Discipline is modified by the General Conference, and it is the opportunity of every local church to prepare memorials which can be processed to the General Conference in 1958. May I suggest to our churches that if sections of the Discipline do not satisfy you; that you prepare such memorials for change during the next year. Someone suggested that a handbook be prepared which will highlight the business procedures of our church life. This might be an idea which one of you enterprising pastors would want to work on.

It is my duty also to report that two of our churches need some consideration from the Committee on Boundaries. A request from the Five Mile Church regarding their future is in hand and is hereby referred to the Committee. The Weaver Station Church also is referred to this Committee because of the structural danger of the building as reported by the State Public Building inspector.

"Finance"

In a separate report which is in your hands you will discover that a number of churches are in arrears in important Conference and denominational responsibilities. The Conference, in fairness to all the churches that faithfully fulfill their financial obligations, cannot afford longer to ignore these facts. All quotas and assessments are arrived at in as equitable a matter as we can discover. I therefore would recommend that the Committee on Ways and Means explore with the pastors and lay members in each case the reasons for these deficits in the regularly assigned benevolences, and in the churches that have paid litle or nothing on the United Crusade.

In connection with finance, we are this year closing the current finance campaign for Camp Miami. Most of the churches have paid the assessment in full. Nevertheless a number of churches have not fulfilled this duty. The Camp, from its very beginning, has been purchased, improved and maintained by some kind of regular support. This session of the Annual Conference will receive a recommendation about the future development of the Camp. I am asking the Committee on Christian Education, so vitally concerned with Camp Miami, to call before them for an explanation and encouragement the churches that have not paid the Camp Miami quota in full.

You will also notice in the accompanying report the achivements with respect to other financial items of our entire program. Congratulations to those churches that have done well and we ask all the churches to work more diligently where you have not done so well!

"The Church Extension Fund Program"

Many of you were members of the special session of the Annual Conference which met at Dayton First Church on February 16 when a program of securing funds by borrowing was authorized. We are going to acquaint you with the developments of this program in a report by Vance E. Cribbs, chairman of the Committee. We hope the month of July will see the development of this fund which promises, I believe, to assist our churches in more rapidly realizing their building objectives. You will be interested to know that a sister Conference, the Central Pennsylvania Conference, which has developed this program to a million dollar fund, in its recent session increased its program limits by $300,000.00.

"The Organizations of the Conference"

If I were to report in detail about the organizations of the Conference it would require extended words beyond necessity and perhaps beyond easy endurance. Needless to say, however, not to commend them for their good work would be an inexcusable oversight. May I therefore list them briefly. The W.S.W.S. carries forward its work under a new president, Mrs. Hazel Dover, We pledge our support and encouragement to her. The E.U.B. Men under the dedicated leadership of Sam Upton and his officers continue to make progress against too much indifference in local churches to men's work. We must also acknowledge our debt to the Auxiliaries — Otterbein Home, United Seminary and the various district women's federations.

The Board of Christian Education through its vital camp program and many, many other phases of work deserve our commendations and assistance. This includes the directors of age group activities in the Conference.

The other Boards and Commissions of the Conference do a great amount of work in the course of the year, and we are indebted to them all. To mention them all by name would unnecessarily add length to this report. The Conference Council of Administration, and particularly the ministerial group leaders give generously of their time and counsel in our common task.

The Conference has a relationship to the institutions of our denomination and the interdenominational bodies. Our support of Otterbein Home continues to increase and our offering this year exceeded the previous year's offering by more than $1000. Not only so, but our people find increasing opportunities to do many more personal things for the family at the Home. The Home offers warmth and security to older people and children in our name.

We maintain an active relationship with Otterbein College. This year gave $720 appropriation the support of the Chaplain to students at the College. The other conferences in the constituency do likewise. I recommend this be continued. It should be noted here that three of our most promising young men will enter the Seminary from this year's graduating class of Otterbein College.

Our relationship with United Seminary has by long tradition been intimate. This is further enhanced by the fact that they provide (without cost) space for the Conference office. This provides close proximity of the Conference Superintendent to the student pastors and is otherwise very convenient to the Seminary for the availability of student pastors, but a fact which is perhaps not without its limitations. We got a too easy solution to the need for ministers in the Conference churches. Let me express my appreciation of the assistance of the members of the faculty. These men in hundreds of services strengthen our churches.

It can also be reported here that our churches make worthy contributions to the Council of Churches to which they are related. The record is filled with a list of our members and ministers who serve these interdenominational causes. This is a long standing tradition of our people of which I am very proud. Our participation in the Ohio Council of Churches is also reason for satisfaction. In a recent report of the Ohio Council of Churches, Ohio Miami Conference is among the top four in financial support compared to other conferences or synods. Many of our people are leaders in the program of the Council as well.

You have noted through the body of this report several recommendations. May I list a few more for your consideration.

1. A full Benevolence Budget. This is the life blood of our entire church. We cannot fail or fall short.
2. 75 per cent of United Crusade goals paid by June 1, 1958.
3. The successful launching of our Church Extension Fund program.
4. A continued program of improvement and enlargement of Camp Miami.
5. An aggressive program of expansion in the establishment of new churches where needs and opportunities arise. Nevertheless we must strengthen our work in at least a dozen strategically located churches. We must also consolidate work already started.
6. A determination of challenging goals in observance of our Sesquicentennial year in 1960. The Historical Society will present a specific recommendation in regard to this.
7. A more dynamic program of Evangelism with emphasis on the loyalty of persons who are now members of our churches.
8. A developing program of Stewardship so that each church may have resources to do a total task — at home and in benevolent causes.
9. That the emphasis of our Conference program be to strengthen the local church.
10. That each church support the program of the Conference and denomination so that it will be unmistakenly a local unit of the Evangelical United Brethren Church.

"Personal"

The report thus far has reflected our cooperative endeavor. The results, both good and bad, have been ours and we rejoice or are chagrined together. As I reread this report, I feel I have had my eyes too close home. Let me admonish you as well as myself not to think in too small of terms about the church of Christ nor the largeness of the needs of our world.

No one is more aware of fallibility than am I. I do my best, but that is not enough. I am more sensitive to the heartaches of the pastors and the headaches of the churches than many of you may assume. My thoughts and prayers are always in your behalf. Many people share the burdens and lighten the load as the years have come and gone.

The Conference Program Director, Charles Messmer, relieves me of the oversight of a very large phase of our Conference program in addition to assisting in other administrative details through the year.

My secretary, Mrs. Thelma Templeton, has been increasingly helpful to our program because of her knowledge of the task and her dedication to its interest. I regret that she will not continuue as my secretary due to the graduation of her husband from the Seminary.

My family as always in every way supports my work. Even though my growing children develop their own life, I never doubt their love and it is reassuring always, and I would like to make this acknowledgment of their encouragement.

Respectfully submitted,
WILLIAM K. MESSMER

Report No. 3

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE PROGRAM DIRECTOR

The Conference Program Director submits the following report:

To our esteemed Bishop, F. L. Dennis, and Conference Superintendent, W. K. Messmer, brethren in the ministry, members and friends of Ohio Miami Conference, I bring greetings. Welcome to Camp Miami in this One Hundred and Forty-eighth Session. We are happy to have you here.

I approach this task of making my second annual report with no more self-confidence than when I made my first one. The year has been filled with much activity, but there seems to be little accomplished. If activity were an end in itself then I could feel successful. However, I know my job has much deeper significance and much greater needs than those which mere activity can bring it. Yet there are many, many necessary tasks which are time-consuming and energy-using in the pursuit of what are construed to be the duties of my job. I register these facts, not as complaints, but to express a little disappointment that we do not yet have a perfectly fuctioning program of Christian Education all over the Conference, and a smoothly self-operating camp and conference center running on a paying basis. With these facts in mind, let us then come to the point of making a report which will say succinctly what has been my task and what has been going on. As you would naturally expect, a portion of my years work is woven into the report of the Board of Christian Education.

I begin again with a feeling of deep sense of gratitude to a great host of people who have helped in many, many ways. Naturally I appreciate the devotion of our Bishop, and the courageous leadership of our Conference Superintendent, the work of the members of the Conference Council, the Board of Christian Education, and all other committees and boards of the Conference. I solicit from them their continued support and prayers and thank them for the many hours of guidance and leadership. I wish also to thank the people of the churches who have furnished the financial and human resources with which we carry on our program. May I say thanks, and appeal to you to continue to support us with these and other spiritual gifts.

A person who is in line for a large word of thanks is our caretaker at the Camp, Arvids Zumburs, who does so much to make the place attractive and usable. His willingness to work long hours for our comfort makes our word of thanks warm and sincere.

The Camp employee staff, made up of cooks and helpers working under the direction of Mrs. Nora Longman, deserve a word of thanks. A word of thanks also is due volunteers from our churches who work from time to time in the dining room and kitchen. I have been wanting for a whole month to say a public thank you to the ministers of the Conference who cooked and served the meals at the Branch Convention of W.S.W.S. Thanks, fellows, for your good work.

I am always aware that what we do and the way we build is built upon the work of our predecessors, and so to them we say thanks.

Maybe one should not be impatient, but the feeling comes to me again and again that there is so great a task to be done and we are able to do so little to bring about the accomplishment of our goals. We pray continually for God's guidance, and to be useful in His Kingdom if that be His will.

Since I still come across the question, "What does a program director do?" I shall submit in this brief form a sumary of my responsibilities and activities knowing that, like statistics, they do not tell the whole story.

Conference Responsibilities and Activities

I serve as a member of the Council of Administration, the Board of Christian Education, and several committees within these groups. I have been active in the camping program and other phases of Christian Education. I have served as an assigned member of the Board of Missions, Town and Country Church Commission, Urban Church, Commission on Evangelism, United Crusade Committee, special Fund Raising Committee, E.U.B. Men, both Conference and District, attended Women's Federation meetings and nearly all district ministerial meetings.

Denominational Responsibilities

I serve as a member of the General Board of Christian Education; member of the Camp Committee; General Board member of Committee on Ministry to Students; Inter-Conference Council; Board of Directors E.U.B. Student Work in Ohio; Committee of Conference Directors of Christian Education of Ohio.

Interdenominational Responsibilities

I serve as a member of the Assembly of the Ohio Council of Churches, member of the Town and Country Department, and Department of Christian Education of Ohio Council of Churches.

Conferences

During this year I attended the following conventions and conferences as an official representative or delegate: General Convention of Christian Education and Evangelism at Lake Koronis, Paynesville, Minnesota; Ohio Pastors' Convention, Columbus, Ohio; Regional Camping Conference at Columbus, Ohio; Division of Christian Education, National Council of Churches. Cincinnati, Ohio; Conference on Higher Education, Otterbein College, Westerville, Ohio.

Other Activities

I preached at or conducted 29 worship services, delivered 10 speeches, conducted 4 funerals, and performed 2 marriages, taught at Church Federation Leadership training school, and conducted Christian Education Workshops with 13 of our churches.

In addition to the detailed account of activities, I serve as General Director of Christian Education, Editor of the Miami Messenger, and Manager of Camp Miami. Separate reports of the Board of Christian Education and the Miami Messenger will follow in the program today, and the Treasurer's Report will reveal the business operation of the Camp. From this latter area of work I should like to make these comments: A total of 7000 persons attended various functions at the Camp during the Conference year just closed. This number includes outside groups as well as our own Conference activities. To these persons, 27,000 meals were served.

Administration of the Improvement Funds, as well as management of the building, falls naturally in the province of my work. Several projects were completed this year and are included in the report of the Board of Christian Education.

When we look at the total task of the Program Director, especially as it relates to Christian Education, we can appreciate the fact that there is much to be done. Our camping program is, to a limited degree, a successful one, but it certainly shall not be the only one that receives our attention. We need to launch out in efforts that will strengthen and enhance the program of the local Sunday School and Church. We observe with appreciation all that is being done but we must admit that there are areas where we need to grow. We need to strengthen the Sunday School, improve Men's Work, enlarge the training opportunities for teachers, develop better lines of com-

munication between the Conference and the people, provide membership training for our children and adults, and expand the use of evangelism in all its phases.

These are tasks which we can do together, gaining strength from one another. The life of each local church is of vital concern to us, and together we must grow.

Again I say thanks to everyone for all their assistance. Finally, a word of thanks to my family, who so often get the ragged edge of my devotion and attention. They help in a great many ways.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES C. MESSMER

Report No. 4

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

Meetings of the Council of Administration were held in September, December, March and May. At each of these meetings reports were received from Conference officers, Boards, Committees and Commissions. The actions voted at these meetings include the following items:

1. The minutes of the Conference Board of Missions were reviewed at each meeting and where necessary the Council authorized the proper Conference officials to sign paper necessary to implement the actions to the Board.
2. Approved the appointment of Bishop F. L. Dennis, W. A. Hohn, W. O. Clark, Marvin Wagner, H. G. Hammink, J. P. Hendrix, C. B. Eschbach, Harvey Hahn, Paul Herrick, Orville Cotterman, C. A. Benzing, M. B. Klepinger, Walter Miranda, Milton Knollman, W. K. Messmer, Allen Unger, Charles Messmer as a Fund Raising Committee. This Committee was authorized in the 1956 session of the Ohio Miami Conference.
3. Voted that the premiums for the Conference Group Insurance Plan shall be collected quarterly.
4. Voted that the matter of securing secretarial help in the Conference office be referred to Dr. W. K. Messmer with power to act.
5. Elected Bishop Dennis, Superintendent W. K. Messmer, Charles Messmer, Emerson Bragg. C. B. Eschbach, M. B. Klepinger, Walter Miranda, J. P. Hendrix, Harvey Hahn, and Milton Knollman as members of the Executive Committee of the Council of Administration.
6. Approved the Camp dates suggested by the Board of Christian Education for Conference Camps in 1957.
7. Voted to set the sum of $110,000.00 as the Ohio Miami Conference asking for the Conference interests share of the Missions and Benevolence budget for the next quadrennium.
8. Referred the matter of granting credit for service rendered in other Ohio Conferences. in computing ministerial Retirement Aid, to the Inter-Conference Council.
9. Referred a request of the Ohio East Conference to exchange dates for the meeting of Annual Conference sessions to the Program Director of the Ohio Miami Conference and the Director of Christian Education of the Ohio East Conference.
10. A request from Dr. Charles H. Keller regarding his classification as Local Elder was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for recommendation to the Annual Conference.
11. Voted to authorize the Conference Board of Trustees to proceed with the sale of Moore's Fork Church and that the proceeds from the sale of Moore's Fork Church be applied to that church's Conference and denominational obligations, and that the net balance be distributed equally to the Second Creek and Midland Churches for capital improvements. Note, the plan of sale is a part of the minutes of the Conference Board of Trustees whose minutes have been reviewed and approved by the Council of Administration.
12. Voted to authorize the Conference Treasurer to use funds allocated in the current year's budget (1956-57) to pay the expenses of the Secretary of Stewardship (W. W. Arnold) to attend the Conference on Stewardship and Every Member Canvass at Williams Bay, Wisconsin, the week of June 10, 1957.

13. Appointed C. C. Messmer to secure a person or persons to present the denominational study book to the Annual Conference on the basis of its relation to our program and to the needs of our churches.

14. Confirmed the personnel of the committee to study the Equalization of Fringe Benefit Costs as authorized by the 1956 session of the Conference. This Committee will be composed of the following persons: Rev. R. W. Tinsley, Chairman, Robert Foreman, Ivan Jenkins, James Duvall and James Frazier.

15. Authorized the Calendar Committee to prepare the calendar for next year and to have it ready for distribution at the Annual Conference. The Superintendent was authorized to discover if local churches would like to have extra copies for individual use. Each local church is to have a maximum of six free copies.

16. The sum of $100.00 was voted to the travel pool for the quadrennial meeting of the denominational Historical Society at Naperville, Illinois, July 9 and 10, 1957. This is to be charged to this year's income.

17. The matter of examination of local church records (Permanent Record, Local Conference Minutes, and Successor's Record) was referred to the District Leaders for implementation and action.

18. That an additional $100 be paid to the Student Work in Ohio State Universities for the year 1956-1957. This additional appropriation to help provide enlarged facilities at Miami University.

Respectfully submitted,
EMERSON D. BRAGG

Report No. 5

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CONFERENCE COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

The Conference Council met at Camp Miami on May 28, 1957. The following items were voted and are hereby presented to the Annual Conference for its consideration.

1. That the Ohio Miami Conference shall consist of one superintendent's district.
2. That the salary of the Conference Superintendent be $6,000.00 and house. That the superintendent be allowed $2,000.00 per year for travel expenses and the Conference pay the utilities bills at the Conference Manse. That the Conference pay an amount equal to 9% of the superintendent's salary to the Board of Pensions. (It is understood that utilities shall include water, gas, electric, telephone and fuel oil.)
3. That the Conference Superintendent be granted one month vacation at whatever time or times he may find most convenient.
4. That the salary of the Program Director be $5,200.00. He is to live at Camp Miami, and his travel expenses are to be paid by the Board of Christian Education and Camp Miami at the rate of 6 cents per mile. That the Conference pay an amount equal to 9% of the Program Director's salary to the Board of Pensions.
5. That an honorarium of $200.00 be paid the Recording Secretary; the Statistician, $200.00; and the Treasurer, $900.00.
6. That the Conference approve the practice of holding Group Local Conferences and that such Group Local Conferences shall be held at the discretion of the superintendent.
7. That the Revs. Ralph Tinsley, H. Hahn, and M. B. Klepinger be a special committee to designate the recipients of the Cora E. Scott scholarship and the Kurtz scholarship.
8. That the Conference Council of Administration shall consist of the members designated in the Discipline, plus the ministerial and lay group leaders appointed by the Committee on Assignments as authorized by the Discipline.
9. That the offerings received during the Annual Conference be designated for the Conference expense.
10. That the Conference Council meet quarterly and/or at the call of the Bishop and the Conference Superintendent. That the Council of Administration at its first meeting elect an Executive Committee.

11. That the Conference Board of Trustees, in consultation with the Conference Board of Christian Education, be authorized to purchase or sell parcels of land adjacent to Camp Miami.
12. That a charge of 50c each be made for the 1957 Conference Minutes. That beginning in 1958 the charge for the Conference Minutes shall be $1.00.
13. That the World Communion Offerings be given to the Conference Missions Funds.
14. That the Conference Treasurer be authorized to pay the sum of $100 to the Treasurer of the Pastors' Retreat for Ministers of the Central Area. This appropriation to be paid from 1957-58 income and charged to Travel and Conferences item in the budget for said year.
15. That the item on Travel and Conventions in the budget be administered by the Executive Committee of the Conference Council of Administration.
16. That the Committee on Christian Social Action be authorized to distribute a quarterly bulletin, one for each church, from the office of Dr. Cawley Stine. The cost of these bulletins to be charged to Printing and General Expense.

    That all other expenses of the Committee on Christian Social Action are to be administered by the Committee within the limits of its appropriation from the Conference.

    That permission be given to the Social Action Committee to have a literature table at the Annual Conference.

    That the Conference Committee on Christian Social Action be expanded to include a lay representative from each District in addition to its present membership.

    That this Committee be granted permission to distribute a questionnaire to the members of the Annual Conference.
17. To recommend to the Annual Conference that a committee be appointed to make a study of the program of the Conference and to evaluate the effectiveness of said program. That this committee also be empowered to make a job analysis of conference officers' duties. Further, that the committee make recommendations concerning goals, objectives, program and structure of the Conference.
18. Mr. Frank Sanders and Mr. M. W. Moody, of the Wells Organization, made a presentation for fund raising within the Ohio Miami Conference. This plan is similar in procedure to the one used in the Michigan, Rocky Mountain and other Conferences. Wells Organization estimates an increased giving potential within the Conference of 50-75%.

    It was voted to recommend that the Conference appoint a committee to intensively study the proposal of the Wells Organization and to postpone final action until this committee can appraise the results and implications of the proposal in other areas. Also, that other stewardship alternatives be considered by the committee. This committee to make a progress report at the December meeting of the Council of Administration.
19. A communication from the Five Mile Church was read. It was voted to refer this communication to the Annual Conference Session, June 11-13, 1957.

EMERSON D. BRAGG, Secretary

Report No. 6

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE

We, the Auditing Committee, have carefully examined the books of the Conference Treasurers. We find them correctly kept, balanced to the cent.

Respectfully submitted,
WILLIAM C. REICHERT
GEORGE T. RIEGLE
WILLIAM C. ARTHUR

Report No. 7

COMMITTEE ON BOUNDARIES

The Committee on Boundaries submits the following Resolutions:

1. Regarding the Weaver Station Church.

   The Committee on Boundaries listened with sincere interest to the presentation by Mrs. Sadler on behalf of the Weaver Station Church, also heard the statements written by the State Inspector of Public Buildings. The Committee presents the following resolution in the best interest of the Weaver Station congregation:

   Whereas, the State Inspector of Public Buildings has condemned the present structure for worship use, effective at once; and

   Whereas, the difficulty of providing pastoral leadership has become almost insurmountable; Be it therefore resolved

   A. That the Trustees of the Weaver Station Church employ a recognized architect to prepare plans to renovate the present building or to build a new structure, and present plans and costs to the Conference Superintendent and the members of the congregation.
   B. That they plan a budget to provide adequate pastoral leadership when said structure is tenable.
   C. That in the interim the church be placed under the care of the local church Conference of the Otterbein-Savona Charge and that the members of the Weaver Station Church and Sunday School meet with the Savona Church at their regular meeting hours.
   D. That said Weaver Station Church use their regular envelopes and maintain their own treasury and share in expenses according to an equitable arrangement which will be compatible to both congregations.

2. Regarding the Five Mile Church.

   Be it Resolved that the Five Mile Church continue for the next Conference year in the same relation with Cherry Grove as at present; that further study be made of the circumstances and best interests of the church.

3. Regarding Castine and Yankeetown Churches.

   Be it Resolved, that these churches be made a two point charge.

4. Regarding West Elkton and Mapel Park Churches.

   Be it Resolved, that these churches be made a two point charge.

Respectfully submitted,
MURN B. KLEPINGER, Chairman

Report No. 8

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Resolved: That we adopt the Report of the Board of Christian Education, and commend the Director for the comprehensive nature of his second report. We have been examining and studying the various areas of Christian Education now in operation in our Conference.

We recommend that these practices and the work of other denominational church groups be further studied as a means for developing a comprehensive program of Christian Education for our Conference.

We further commend the developing program of the age group director and trust that they will succeed in passing on to our local churches their enthusiasm and techniques.

The Committee on Christian Education recommends:

A. That the churches and Sunday schools of the Conference include in their yearly program:
   1. Support of the program of Christian Education proposed by this Board especially relating to institutes, rallies and training sessions.
   2. Support of the camping program.
   3. Observance of Christian Education Week, including Rally Day and Promotion Day; observance of Good Literature Sunday and Brotherhood Week.

4. Catechetical instruction classes, noting the responsibility for adult training as well as training for children.
5. Vacation church schools.
6. Establishment of the Boys and Girls Fellowship.
7. The organization of a Board of Christian Education in the local church.
8. Careful use of vast audio-visual materials available.
9. Organize E.U.B. Men on a local and district level.
10. Encourage Sunday school teachers to avail themselves of any "in-service" training at hand. If no community opportunity is available, the church should have one of its own.

B. That Ohio-Miami Conference churches support Otterbein College and United Theological Seminary.
C. That we participate in and support the work of the Ohio Council of Churches, the National Council of Churches, and Councils on a city or county level.
D. That churches make a note of the second Church School Superintendents Conference in Columbus, October 25-27, and send their superintendent.
E. That our people attend the very important denominational meetings which are being held during the ensuing year.
F. We make special note of the Quadrennial Student Conference to be held at Albright College in Reading, Pennsylvania, December 31 to January 3.
G. Thae we cooperate in every way possible with the program of our General Board of Christian Education.
H. That we continue to support the improvement program of Camp Miami as suggested by the Program Director in his report; that $1.00 per year per average attendance for the year just closed.
I. We suggest that pastors take seriously all measures to secure full participation of all persons of catechetical age.
J. We urge churches to take advantage of the "Telescope-Messenger" special offer of 22 issues for $1.00.
K. We suggest the editorial staff of the "Telescope-Messenger" explore the possibility of having a semi-monthly paper and modernize its format to conform with the excellent content of the paper.
L. We suggest the camp directors observe specific standards in the selection of youth counsellors.
M. We recommend a revaluation of the basic purpose of all Youth Rallies and that there be a correlation in scheduling Youth Mission Programs and other youth rallies.

Recommendations for Adult Work:

A. The holding of a one-day Men's Congress similar to the past years.
B. The encouragement of local churches to study their program and facilities in the light of the need of what has been called the Golden Age Group and more utilization of the older adults in service to the church.
C. Provisions for presenting and discussing the adult fellowship and E.U.B. Men's work in our church schools on a district level.

Respectfully submitted,
CLIFFORD STEARNS, Chairman

Report No. 9

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN SOCIAL ACTION

We, your committee on Christian Social Action, commend all local churches who have participated in any way in promoting the various areas of Christian Social Action for the Conference year 1956-57. We further believe that the unfinished tasks of the committee outlined last year should continue to be our responsibility until completed.

1. Whereas,

The report also reveals that many things are being done of which we have not been aware due to the lack of organization in the local church.

Be it resolved:

That the local council of administration appoint a social action committee in accordance with paragraph 570 of the Discipline; and where possible the Social Relations Secretary for W.S.W.S., the Chairman of Missions and Social Action of the Youth Fellowship, and the Chairman of Christian Service of the E.U.B. Men be members of this committee.

2. Whereas,

Most social action needs to be on a community-wide basis,

Be it resolved:

That this committee work with a local community council, and when no constituted council exists, that they enlist other interested people in the community to assist them in outlining a plan of action.

3. Whereas,

The Conference Council of Administration has designated Sunday, October 27, 1957 from 2:30 to 8:30 P.M. for a one day Institute on Christian Social Action,

Be it resolved:

That each church send its local committee or interested delegation as representatives to the above Conference Institute.

Be it also resolved:

That their names and addresses with a list of local projects be sent to the Conference Secretary on Christian Social Action on or before October 1, 1957.

and,

Be it resolved:

That the above projects be selected from the six areas outlined by our denominational Commission on Christian Social Action, as they pertain to the local situation, which are: World Order, Economics, Family Life, Racial and Cultural Relations, Community Life, and Moral and Social Conduct.

4. Whereas,

Social Action is a part of the educational process,

Be it resolved that:

United Nations Day be observed in all local churches, that Christian Social Action committees avail themselves of resources such as speakers, films, printed material to be found in the local libraries and Council of Churches and Council on World Affairs offices.

Be it also resolved:

That the churches encourage family-centered programs and encourage worship opportunities for the family; that the local Social Action committee help to create a favorable atmosphere for a pre-marital educational program for the local church.

Be it resolved further:

That the local Christian Social Action committee invite representatives of the various social agencies of the community to present their services to the local church to further discover better ways for cooperation.

Be it further resolved:

That the local church intensify its efforts to study and develop a more positive approach to racial and social integration. We further heartily recommend the attendance at the Inter-Culture and Inter-Racial Family Camp to be held in May, 1958 at Camp Miami. We, the committee, believe it will be to the best interest to us all to have a delegate to each of the following events:

a. Racial and Cultural Institute at McCormick Theological Seminary, Chicago, Illinois, August 5 to 9, 1957,

b. Churchmen's Washington Seminar, Washington, D.C., February, 1958.

c. The General Commision on Christian Social Action is holding a convocation on Church and Community October 8-11, 1957 in Dayton, Ohio. Our churches and the local committees will want to include this in their planning.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES DUVALL,
Chairman of the Christian
Social Action Committee

Report No. 10

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL ACTION

Your Conference Committee on Christian Social Action has met 6 times during the year. Members are: Mrs. Charles Mumma of Dayton Belmont, Miss Ann Beachler of Brookville, Mr. Don Shipley of Xenia, Mr. Elmer Cope of Lewisburg, Rev. Maurice Parsons of Fairview and myself.

First, I want to thank the Conference for the privilege of attending the Workshop on this work at Lake Koronis, Minnesota, July 11-15, 1956. The Workshop was composed of 55 persons from 29 conferences who entered into a study of our problems. We discovered that our denominational secretary in this field is required to give more time to other duties laid upon him by the general church. His time, secretarial help, and funds are limited. His only recourse is to solicit the help of the Annual Conference Secretaries to help get the information out to each church. He sends to each secretary a quartrly Bulletin (4 times a year) which lists the various activities, literature, and subjects to which we should give our attention. He sends to each secretary samples of the literature suggested, but does not have the funds, time, or help to send this to each pastor or church. In order for us to get this bulletin and the new samples of literature into every church in the Conference, it would require $312 per year. Our Conference is not now in the position financially to supply all these materials; so the Committee recommends that each church receive the quartrly Bulletin which states what is happening, what helps are available, etc., but that no new sample literature will be sent. We do feel that one particular booklet should be distributed — "Christin Social Action for Churches and Families." This book lists projects for action and is a good sequal to "Our Church and Christian Social Action" which every pastor received from the General Commission.

There were several suggestions that came out of the Koronis meeting: one was a request to memorialize General Conference for a full-time director in this field, with a budget of $17,000 to operate it. Then several recommendations to the General Council of Administration.

1. That the local church secretary of Christian Social Action be a member of the local council of administration;
2. That the Annual Conference Committee be composed of the Chairman of Missions and Social Action of the Youth Fellowship, the Christian Social Relations Secretary of the Branch W.S.W.S., the Chairman of the Christian Service of the Conference E.U.B. Men, and others as may be desired (This is how our Conference Committee had already been set up);
3. That the local church committee be composed of the chairman of Missions and Social Action of the Youth Fellowshi, the Social Relations Secretary of the W.S.W.S., the Chairman of Christian Service of the E.U.B. Men, and others as may be desired;
4. That every church form its local committee and make adequate financial provision for the work of the committee.

Our first Christian Social Action Institute was held November 4, 1956, with 140 people present representing 33 churches. We have had requests for another one this year, and the time has been set for Sunday, October 27, 1957. Findings from this Institute in the five workshop areas were gathered and distributed to all the participants of that day. We want to intensify our emphasis toward helping a local committee to see what can be done this year.

We believe it will be to the best interests of us all to have a delegate to each of the folowing events:

Racial and Cultural Institute at McCormick Theological Seminary, Chicago, Illinois, August 5-9, 1957,

Churchmen's Washington Seminary, Washington, D.C., in February, 1958. The General Commission on Christian Social Action is holding a convocation on "Church and Community" October 8-11, 1957, in Dayton, Ohio. Our churches and the local committees will want to include this in their planning.

Since it is the church's responsibility to love others, to stand for the right versus sin, we believe that it behooves all of us to make every possible effort

to study all the areas of concern in social action. The church must understand the social and economic causes of sin and misery. We are expected to awaken the sleeping conscience of mankind; we are to bring the judgment of the awakened conscience upon society. We are merely trying to be led by the Holy Spirit — even the Spirit of Truth — so that in our striving in all these things we might be able to realize the Will of God for our lives today. "Let us not be weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not." "Let us not be overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good."

Respectfully submitted,
HOWARD R. JAMES

Report No. 11

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE RELATIONS COMMITTEE

1. We recommend that Clarence S. Smith be reclassified from Active Itinerant Elder to Superannuated Elder.
2. We recomend that Dr. Charles Keller be reclassified from Local Elder to Active Itinerant Elder.
3. We recommend that Carlton S. Spencer, supernumerary elder, be received from the Iowa Annual Conference to the Ohio Miami Conference.
4. We recommend that Edgar Schrader be received as an Itinerant Elder from the California Conference, subject to his transfer.
5. We recommend that the name of Richard Van Tine be deleted from the Roll of Probationers.
6. We recommend that the name of Martha McDonald, local elder, be deleted from the Roll of the Ohio Miami Conference.
7. We recommend that Charles Keller, itinerant elder, and Goldie Keller, local elder, be granted transfers to the Ohio East Conference.
8. We recommend that Paul Sharp be reclassified from active itinerant elder to local elder.
9. We recommend that Probationers License be granted to the following: Sidney Davis, Charles Selby.
10. We recommend that Robert Hoover, and Roy Schutz be granted the Rites of Ordination.
11. We further recommend that all the names on the Official Roster of Ohio Miami Conference except those listed above remain in their present status.

JOE HENDRIX, Chairman

Report No. 12

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM

The Committee on Evangelism makes the folowing recommendations:

1. That the theme for 1957-58 be "The Resources of the Church."
2. That the program of Evangelism designed for the local church by the Board of Evangelism of the Denomination be used effectively in every local church. That all new materials published by the Department of Evangelism of our Denomination and the National Council of Churches be secured by every pastor and presented to his local committee of Evangelism. That the "Spotlight" magazine be presented and studied by the local committee of Evangelism early in the Conference year.
3. That the local committee on Evangelism give a report at the meeting of the last local conference, and that the Conference Superintendent have a place on his agenda for this report.
4. That the winning of entire families be encouraged during Family Week and throughout the year.
5. That the committee on Evangelism in each local church study the church rolls to ascertain inactive members and report to the Conference Superintendent at each local conference the number of inactive members and the efforts made to again secure their interest in the church.
6. That the period from World-Wide Communion Sunday to Christmas be set aside as a period for revitalization of members and enlistment of new

people for Christian commitment and church membership. That the Commission on Evangelism secure materials and promote this effort.

7. That the churches of the Ohio Miami Conference cooperate with the Young People's Department of our Denomination and the Conference Youth Fellowship in their programs of Evangelism.
8. That each church use materials in the Religion and Life Program sponsored by the National Council of Churches; that these materials be used during September, October, and November.

We further commend to each church in our Conference the following recommendations:

1. That we strive to win all unchurched people to Christ and the Church and that we keep before us a list of those for whom we as a Church should be responsible, each church and Sunday School preparing and revising prospect lists periodically.
2. That the following items be added to the monthly attendance report to the *Miami Messenger.*
   a. Number of new Sunday School pupils.
   b. Number of new members received during each month.
3. That identical, simultaneous institutes on Evangelism be held in each district on Evangelism Sunday, January 12, 1958. That the district leaders along with the Commission on Evangelism be responsible for the planning of these institutes.
4. That every church appoint a committee on Evangelism and meet at least twice a year to plan and promote an all year program of evangelism.
5. That a new emphasis be placed on church membership and catechism classes, including classes for adults.
6. That our churches use one of the following methods for a regular systematic program of visitation evangelism:
   a. Use one evening each month
   b. Use Sunday afternoons
   c. Organize visitation teams in Sunday School classes
   d. Or any other method which has proven successful.
7. We further recommend that every church conduct a survey (unless one has been conducted recently) in its area to provide a prospect list for visitation evangelism to be held the first three weeks of Lent in 1958.
8. That we individually be more faithful witnesses in our evangelistic efforts.

Respectfully submitted,
LORIN S. STINE

Report No. 13

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FRINGE BENEFIT EQUALIZATION

The Committee on Fringe Benefit Equalization submits the following recommendations:

1. That the cost of Group Insurance be $37.00 per year for each participating minister, one dollar of which shall be placed in a special "Emergency Assistance Fund."
2. That the Annual Conference appropriate the sum of $200.00 to the special Emergency Assistance Fund.
3. That the administration of the special Emergency Assistance Fund be assigned to the Committee on Group Insurance.

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES DUVALL
JAMES FRAZIER
IVAN JENKINS
ROBERT FOREMAN
RALPH TINSLEY
Committee

Report No. 14

REPORT OF THE MIAMI MESSENGER

The Editor of the Miami Messenger submits the following report:

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Balance on hand June 1, 1956		$ 250.66
Receipts:		
Ohio Miami Conference	$ 300.00	
Subscriptions	859.00	
Offering at Institutes	40.80	
Total Receipts		$1,199.80
Disbursements:		
Printing — Miami Messenger and postcards	$1,057.75	
Stenographic services	25.00	
Postage	9.00	
Total Disbursements		$1,091.75
Balance on hand June 1, 1957		$ 358.71

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES C. MESSMER

Report No. 15

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE HISTORIAN

The work of collecting Miami Conference historical data, organizing it, and writing some of it in narrative form has continued during the past year.

In a recent meeting of the Trustees of your Historical Society the coming 150th anniversary of the Miami Conference was discussed. The following recommendations are presented for approval.

1. That a special committee be appointed to plan the sesquicentennial celebration to be held in the year 1960, and that this planning be concerned with a history of the Conference, anniversary goals, plans for advance and special celebration services.

2. That a history of the Miami Conference be published by 1960, the direction and planning for this to be the responsibility of the Trustees of the Historical Society.

3. That a committee be appointed to collect items of historical value for a display at the anniversary celebration with the suggestion that many of these items be placed in a Conference historical depository.

4. Though sales of a published history should be adequate to finance the project, as has been the experience of other conferences, we recommend that the Conference approve any subsidy necessary to produce and publish a Conference history.

5. That all local churches and Conference organizations recognize the value of this project and provide the Historian with any historical records and data that will contribute to the completion of the project.

Respectfully submitted,
ROY D. MILLER
Conference Historian

Report No. 16

COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS

A. Mrs. J. B. Henry

More than thirty years ago there came into my circle of acquaintances a very personable young woman, a teacher at Huffman School in Dayton. From this first meeting there arose a choice friendship that had few equals in my life for Ruth Fornshell had everything one could want in a friend. Personal appearance, quiet dignity and grace in manner, keen intelligence, and best of all a kindly sympathetic interest in everything we said or did. She was indeed a challenge to her many friends.

Reared in Miamisburg, she attended the schools of her home town, later graduating from Miami University. She was an accomplished musician both in voice and organ. Teaching in the Dayton Schools she became Assistant Principal at Huffman, later being asked to become the principal, choosing rather to be mistress of the manse. She married the Rev. Joseph B. Henry and was an ideal helpmate in her pastor-husband's work. To Rev. and Mrs. Henry one son, Joseph Robert, was born. (Joe R. is graduating from Pomona College, California, June 16.)

I am glad for two special reasons to give this tribute to Ruth's memory: First, for her own lovely self—she was in my thinking the ideal wife for a minister—and second, she was so very like my own wonderful mother, in appearance, in manner, in her approach to life—a resemblance which grew upon me as the years went on and of which I often spoke to her.

Though in recent years separated in miles, she wrote letters which were an inspiration to renewal on my part to help "carry on" the work she so early laid down. Ruth went to her crowning June 8, 1956.

ELLA F. HAMILTON

B. Rev. J. L. Armstrong

Rev. Jesse L. Armstrong, son of Hugh Caperton and Martha Faudree Armstrong was born June 22, 1885 at South Charleston, Ohio. He was united in marriage June 23, 1909 to Edith Crawford. He felt a definite call to the Gospel Ministry and received his quarterly conference license to preach in April 1912. He entered Bonebrake Theological Seminary and on completion of his work there was ordained September 3, 1916, by Bishop Matthews. Brother Armstrong served his entire ministry in the Ohio Miami Conference, serving the following churches: Pyrmont, Yorkshire, Beardshear, Sulphur Grove, Arcanum, Lagonda, Eaton, Clayton, Arlington, West Elkton, Newport Ky., State Road, Millville, Verona and Piqua. He asked for retired relations from the active ministry at the close of his work with the Piqua church due to ill health. He was a faithful itinerant and gave himself whole heartedly to the work of the church he was serving. He has been known as a hard worker, a faithful pastor, a wise counselor, a helpful visitor in the sick room with the afflicted bringing words of comfort and offering a helpful prayer. Much of his preaching was evangelistic, as he was a firm believer in a personal experience in religion. He had strong convictions accompanied with fearless action without compromise. Brother Armstrong will be remembered as a loyal team worker and hearty supporter of the general program of the conference and denomination. It was a pleasure to converse with him as he wore a smile which did not seem to be absent even though facing difficult problems in the work of the church as he was a firm believer in prayer. He won many friends and was as much if not more appreciated in the pastorate before his retirement as any charge he had served and a special service was held in his honor.

He was a member of the Masonic Lodge at Arcanum and associated with the Lions Club at Verona. His pleasant fellowship will be greatly missed in our conference. After his retirement he was asked to supply our Bevis church which he did until his physical strength gave way. He was stricken at the fall institute for his district and failed to recover fully and spent his last days in Mercy hospital in Hamilton and closed this temporal life on Wednesday, November 7, 1956 to go to that land of promise for which he had given his life. He will be sadly missed not only by the family, but also by his many friends. In addition to his bereft widow he leaves two daughters, one son, five grandchildren, three brothers, Charles Armstrong of Piqua, James Armstrong of Lakeland, Florida and Frank Armstrong of Springfield, and his many friends.

Funeral Services were conducted in our First Church Hamilton directed by Dr. John Clippinger pastor, with Bishop A. R. Clippinger delivering the sermon and assisted by Dr. William K. Messmer, conference superintendent. The body was laid to rest in Rose Hill Memorial Park, Hamilton.

C. R. SMITH

C. Bishop David T. Gregory

David Thomas Gregory was born on a farm near Martinsburg, West Virginia, July 16, 1889. He attended a one-room rural school, the Martinsburg Normal School, and Shenandoah Collegiate Institute before entering Lebanon Valley College, where he was graduated in 1917. In the fall of that year he and Mrs. Gregory enrolled in Bonebrake (now United) Theological Seminary, graduating in 1920.

For two years immediately following, he served one year each in the Telescope office, assisting Dr. J. M. Phillippi, editor; and in the office of Dr. S. S. Hough, secretary of the Board of Administration.

Then followed four years as president of Shenandoah College, during which period he rendered sacrificial service in an attempt to relocate the School and to bring it into a more commanding position in our denomination.

In 1926, Bishop A. R. Clippinger and the writer of this sketch, who had been elected superintendent of the Miami Conference at that session, appointed Dr. Gregory to the pastorate of the Euclid Avenue Church, Dayton, Ohio. This pastorate continued for ten years, or until his election as superintendent of the Miami Conference on a full-time basis at the conference of 1936. For the four years immediately preceding, the depression years of 1932-36, he had served as superintendent of the Miami Conference in connection with the Euclid Avenue pastorate.

The General Conference of 1937 called him to the office of executive secretary of the Board of Administration. He was continued in this office following our Church Union, and was serving efficiently in this position when the General Conference of 1950 elected him a bishop, with his residence in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

During the six years that followed he was seen frequently in our midst. Most of the denominational board meetings are held in Dayton. Fully half of last December he spent in Dayton attending various board meetings, presiding over some of them. Following a brief Christmas period spent with their only child and grandchild in Dayton, the Gregorys drove off toward Pittsburgh. Their car was laden with items of clothing and equipment that would be useful in Florida, whence they were bound after a brief stop in Pittsburgh.

Six miles east of Cambridge, Ohio, on Route 40, a heavy station wagon traveling at excessive speed — out of control — struck the Gregory car at the driver's seat, and crushed it against a steel guard rail. Thus, early afternoon on December 27, 1956, one of the best loved leaders of our Communion, with his devoted companion, was called from us.

Memorial services were conducted on December 31, 1956, in Euclid Avenue Church, Dayton, with Rev. Emerson D. Bragg, minister, in charge. Various members of the Ohio Miami Conference, in which Bishop Gregory held credentials, the General Council of Administration, and the Board of Bishops shared in the service. The Euclid Avenue chorus choir sang "Open the Gates of the Temple" and "Unfold, Ye Portals Everlasting."

Final services were conducted in St. Luke's Evangelical United Brethren Church, Martinsburg, West Virginia, on January 2, 1957, with interment in the local cemetery there. The spot is one chosen by Bishop and Mrs. Gregory a few years ago. It is on a prominent knoll with eastward view — toward the sunrise.

FRED L. DENNIS

D. Margaret Lillian Gregory

Margaret Lillian Broy was born at Berryville, Virginia, April 10, 1888, being the oldest of seven children in the family of Joseph S. and Mary L. Broy. She attended the Public Schools of Berryville, and following two years of High School she was granted a certificate to teach. After a few weeks she decided she could never be satisfied in this profession, and forthwith resigned to enter Business School. Upon completing this course she was employed as a stenographer-secretary in industry. Her ability as a stenographer resulted in appointment as court stenographer. Throughout her life she

did a great amount of stenographic work, and maintained her skill by transcribing many of the speeches and sermons which she heard.

While still a student in Business School she was united in marriage to David T. Gregory, At this time neither of them were professing Christians. After their conversion and the decision of D. T. Gregory to enter the ministry, Mrs. Gregory continued her work as court stenographer. She remained at home with her daughter while her husband attended Shenandoah College, also during his first year at Lebanon Valley College. During the remainder of his student days the family shared together the bane and blessings of student life. Mrs. Gregory attended Bonebrake Seminary, graduating in 1920.

Following graduation Mrs. Gregory shared with her husband in all his duties as a college president, a parish minister and a denominational executive. They were a team complementing each other and sharing together in what they considered to be a mutual task. As a pastor's wife she was a true helpmeet. Her greatest joy was in ministering to the sick. When new assignment took Bishop Gregory away from home it can truly be said that their home moved from place to place for they really made a home wherever they were in the fulfillment of their duties.

While all of us are saddened by the tragic manner of their death, it seems appropriate that these two should together close the earthly phase of their life after approximately fifty years of happy marriage. Mrs. Gregory always asked that no eulogy be made of her. A poem found on her desk, after her death, among materials she planned to use in a speech at the Florida Conference very well characterizes her life.

TRY THE UPLOOK

When the outlook is dark, try the uplook.
These words hold a message of cheer;
Be glad while repeating them over,
And smile when the shadows appear.
Above and beyond stands the Master;
He sees what we do for His sake.
He never will fail nor forsake us;
He knoweth the way that we take.

When the outlook is dark, try the uplook —
The outlook of faith and good cheer;
The love of the Father surrounds us,
He knows when the shadows are near.
Be brave, then, and keep the eyes lifted,
And smile on the dreariest day.
His smile will glow in the darkness;
His light will illumine the way.

(Anonymous)

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Thelma Jackson, a granddaughter, Sandra K., three brothers, Lawrence, Warren and Owen Broy, two sisters, Gertrude Broy and Mrs. Katherine Rex.

EMERSON D. BRAGG

E. Tribute to Mrs. M. E. Gibson

Mrs. Ella Gibson, the wife of the late Rev. M. E. Gibson, went to her crowning November 15, 1956. For many years she had been very frail, then approximately three and a half years ago she had a serious accident in downtown Dayton and suffered a broken hip. Approximately eight months after the injury had healed, she fell and broke the other hip. She was seriously ill and in and out of hospitals from that time on.

Mrs. Gibson and her husband came to Dayton from the Sandusky Conference and served here from 1918 to 1926 at the former Cowden Memorial Church. They also served our church at Fostoria, the Columbus Grove Church and churches in and around Sycamore, Ohio

Mrs. Gibson lived only a few blocks from the Fairview Church and was a very faithful and loyal supporter of the church and the church program. Those who knew her, knew her to be a very quiet and retiring person. Through

the many days and weeks of severe suffering she witnessed daily to a great and eternal faith in her Heavenly Father. Throughout the long days in the hospital and rest home, she was not known to complain or feel sorry in any way for herself.

Mrs. Gibson was blessed with three children, Lowell Gibson, Emerson Gibson and Helen Van Curen. During the many years she lived alone without her husband, these children were very attentive and carefully watched over their mother. They generously provided for her care and she never wanted for anything. Not only were her children very good to her, but they have been very faithful witnesses to their faith and have been excellent representatives of a Christian home.

Mrs. Gibson was also surrounded by many Christian friends and although she experienced undue suffering, she rejoiced in her faith, the love of her children and in the fellowship of many Christian friends.

LORIN STINE

Report No. 17

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PASTORS' RECORDS AND STATISTICS

The Committee on Pastors Records submits the following report:

Last year this committee completed a comprehensive and meticulous examination of our records. They prepared a nine point check list for the use of our pastors in preparing their reports. These were inserted in the Successors records. Shortly before this Conference session the Superintendent mailed each pastor a copy of the check list with a covering letter. Their efforts have born fruit as evidenced by the excellent condition of the records submitted to your committee. The improvement over previous years is remarkable.

All records, with one exception due to the illness of the pastor, were submitted to the committee. With the exception of a few minor details they were found to be accurate and in excellent condition. Only one Church is using a binder that is badly worn. There are only three using the old style binder and one church has a non-regulation one. This is an improvement of 500%.

80 pastors have records that are correct in every detail. Last year there were sixty-four.

The committee submits the following resolutions:

1. That we add one point to the former check list, namely, "that only current report blanks be included and that all surplus filler sheets be removed." That this ten point list be used this coming year and that the Conference Superintendent include it in his next mailing to the pastors.

2. That each pastor bring or send his Successors Record to Conference the first day.

3. That the name of the church and the district be placed on the spine of the binder.

4. That entries in the permanent membership record be made in permanent black ink. That the full Christian and legal name of the member be used if possible. That in no case should "nicknames" be entered in this important record. That those churches using old style membership records which do not have sections for baptisms, weddings and funerals secure new books as soon as possible. That in the meantime a record of baptisms, weddings and funerals be kept in the Local Conference Minute book.

5. That a blank be prepared by the Conference Superintendent for the use of the district and conference Record Committees in their examination of the Church and pastors' records. That the records of each year's committees be preserved and made available to the current committees. That the chairman of each district committee be a member of the conference committee.

6. That the Conference Statistician meet with each Group once during the coming year and give instruction in the keeping of records and in the making out of statistical reports.

Respectfully submitted,
Committee on Pastors' Records and Statistics
ROBERT COPELAND, Chairman

Report No. 18

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

To the 148th Session of the Ohio Miami Conference:

The Committee on Resolutions presents the following:

WHEREAS, the Annual Conference is indebted to the graciousness of many people, and wishes to send greetings to and recognize its guests in an appropriate manner, and desires by our common spirit in Christ to speak corporately on these matters, be it resolved that:

To Bishop Fred L. Dennis we extend our appreciation for his gracious manner and helpful spirit in guiding our sessions as presiding officer.

To Dr. William K. Messmer, our Conference Superintendent for his wise counsel and devotion to duty.

To Reverend Charles C. Messmer for his guidance as Program Director; to all our staff officers for their untiring labors: Emerson Bragg, Conference Secretary; E. H. Hammon, Conference Statistician; Mr. Wendell Hohn, Conference Treasurer; and the efficient office staff for their constant labors.

To Milford E. Ater, Mrs. Lorin Stine, our Conference Chorus, Miss Ruth Ellen Harner our soloist; Vandalia Church Choir, with Mr. Henry Hinshaw, Director and soloists — Walter Greason and Milo Martz for providing music for the Conference sessions.

We express our gratitude to these gracious persons and firms who have given gifts and services to this Annual Conference: To the Fitzsimmons Company of Dayton, Ohio for the use of the organ; To the Camp Miami Kitchen and dining room staff and the following churches for serving fine meals: Belmont, Farmersville, Mt. Airy, Jacksonburg, Eaton and Ft. McKinley. That we give a special vote of thanks and appreciation to Arvids Zumburs, our able and efficient caretaker of Camp Miami for his loyal and dedicated devotion to the tasks which add to the beauty of the Camp grounds and to our comfort and enjoyment of the Conference Sessions and to Mrs. Nora Longman, Head Cook, for the delicious meals the Conference members have enjoyed.

To Mrs. John Bench and her committee for the beautiful floral arrangements on the Altar.

To Reverend Harvey C. Hahn for handling the various publicity services to the various news agencies.

To Mr. C. L. Roberts, Mr. Walter Ellison and Mrs. Faye Silverthorn who supervised the Otterbein Book Store display and sales.

We express to our visiting guests and speakers our appreciation of the inspiration of their message and presence.

Dr. Walter N. Roberts representing the Seminaries; Miss Mary McKenzie who brought greetings from the W.S.W.S. and represented the Benevolent Homes; Dr. W. Henry Shillington of the Ohio Council of Churches; Dr. B. F. Lamb representing the Temple of Good Will; Dr. O. O. Arnold representing the Publishing Houses; Dr. Mabel Gardner representing Otterbein College; Dr. J. Russell Dugan of the Temperance League of Ohio; Rev. Clayton Lutz, a Superintendent of Ohio Southeast Conference and Reverend Carl Wilson of Ohio Southeast Conference; Dr. Raymond Peters, Executive Secretary of the Church Federation of Greater Dayton, Chaplain Cernak, Institutional Chaplain of the Church Federation; Reverend Donald Gorrell, Minister to State Colleges and Universities; Mr. Morril Lucas, Boy Scout Executive, Miami Valley Council.

That we express our appreciation to the Chairmen and members of the panels on Conference Missions, Stewardship and Missions, Evangelism and Christian Education and Church Programming for their stimulating and inspiring presentations.

We express our appreciation for the faithful service of Reverend Lewis G. Ludwick upon his retirement after fourteen years as Secretary of the Mutual Benefit Society of the Conference.

We appreciate the hospitality extended to us by Reverend and Mrs. Charles C. Messmer for lodging arrangements, and other duties asociated with Camp Management, open house at the Camp Manse, entertaining the United Seminary Auxiliary and the Minister's Wives Association.

To our Host Pastor, Reverend John Bench and the Germantown Church we express our thanks and appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES V. FRAZIER, Jr.

Report No. 19

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF STEWARDSHIP

The Secretary of Stewardship has written an article in the Miami Messenger this past year giving the results of a questionnaire to the ministers of the churches in Dayton that participated in the United Church Canvass, and attended a meeting at Westerville, Ohio, with the Conference Superintendent and the Bishop. At the meeting in Westerville a variation of the United Church Canvass was presented. It is called the Every Member Canvass and can be adapted to the program of any local church. Because of the obvious superiority of this program, it is to be presented next fall to a meeting of ministers and key laymen of the Conference, and it is hoped that it will become the program of the Ohio Miami Conference.

These recommedations are brought to you for your consideration:

1. That the Conference send your Secretary and Rev. William Worth to the EMC Camp at Augustana, Wisconsin, June 30th to July 5th, and pay the advance registration of $35.00 each. The registration includes a quantity of the material which may be used in presenting the program to the Conference. It is, of course, assumed that the Conference will pay the other expenses of the two delegates.
2. That the Conference appoint a Committee on Stewardship, composed of the Secretary of Stewardship, three other ministers, and three laymen. The function of this committee shall be: To formulate a workable plan of stewardship for the Ohio Miami Conference and the churches of the Ohio Miami Conference and to promote the same.
3. That this report be held open for supplementary material that may arise out of the Discussion on Stewardship provided for in the program of the Annual Conference session.

Respectfully submitted,
WALTER W. ARNOLD

Report No. 20

Ballot in Election of Conference Superintendent

Number of Ballots cast	165
Invalid	3
Number of valid ballots	162
Necessary to elect	82
W. K. Messmer	146
Paul Herrick	6
Carl Eschbach	3
Roy Miller	1
Walter Miranda	1
Ralph Tinsley	1
J. P. Hendrix	1
Emerson Bragg	1
Maurice Gribler	1
Demi Edwards	1

Elected W. K. Messmer

JOHN BERGLAND,
Chairman Board of Tellers

Report No. 20A

BALLOT PART I

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Emerson Bragg	121
Carl Vorpe	20
	141

Plus 1 unmarked

STATISTICIAN:

E. H. Hammon	97
J. C. Herbert	45
	142

JOHN BERGLAND, Chairman

Report No. 20B

BALLOT PART II

CONFERENCE TRUSTEE

Minister

94 Paul Herrick*
46 Louis Odon

Laymen

Unexpired Term

67 Harvey Hammink
68 Harold Boda*

Full Term

75 E. A. Zehring*
61 Harry Kiefaber

TRUSTEE OF OTTERBEIN COLLEGE

80 J. P. Hendrix*
59 Maurice Gribler

JUDICIAL COMMITTEE

66 Harold Brown
72 Ralph Tinsley*

BOARD OF PUBLICATION

(Elect Two)

100 Walter Miranda*
90 Harvey Hahn*
48 Ivan Jenkins
41 James Riley

INTER-CONFERENCE COUNCIL

56 Robert Copeland
81 Ed Hammon*

MEMBERS OF OHIO COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

Minister (Elect Three)

66 John Bergland
66 Frank Robinson
76 Owen Delp*
52 James Frazier
106 John Clippinger*
53 W. I. Comfort

Laymen (Elect Two)

79 Hubert Fellers*
68 John Jones*
65 James Hodson
46 Harold Kistler

Laywomen (Elect Two)

74 Mrs. Jesse Haines*
70 Mrs. Miriam Erbaugh*
64 Mrs. Vance Cribbs
63 Mrs. Elmer Werner

MINISTERIAL RETIREMENT AID BOARD
Minister
63 Roy Miller
75 Don Gillespie*
Layman
67 Glenn Hetzler
67 George Riegle
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
89 Walter Miranda*
48 Ralph Tinsley
* Elected

Report No. 20C

Ballot To Resolve Tie in Election of Conference Officers — Part II

50 Frank Robinson
59 John Bergland*
52 Glen Hetzler
56 George Reigle*

RICHARD HEDGES, Teller

Report No. 20D

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON CHURCH EXTENSION

NORTHWEST DISTRICT:
Frank Robinson
Fred Fauver
George Share
John Jones
Oscar Vietor

WEST DISTRICT:
Vance Cribbs
E. A. Zehring
Lawrence Todt
Richard Arnold
John Bench

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT:
Milton Knollman
Clifford Wittmeyer
Frank Peter
Allen Unger
Ernest Floyd

SOUTHEAST DISTRICT
Gerald Geiger
Elbert Freeman
Zenas Anstaett
Mack Kendall
Walter Bauer

CENTRAL DISTRICT:
H. W. Hammink
James Hodson
Dr. A. D. Cook
Hubert Fellers
W. N. Miranda

NORTHEAST DISTRICT:
Elton Tavenner
J. Richard Hill
Ray Fridley
Waldo Michael
Clifford Stearns

AT LARGE:
Paul Herrick
Frank Butts
Louis Ernst
G. H. McConaughy
Harvey Shute

CARL ROBINSON, Chairman
Nominating Committee

Report No. 20E

CONFERENCE RELATIONS BALLOT

Be it resolved.
that the licenses of the following probationers be validated:

No	Yes		No	Yes	
2	72	Kenneth Campbell	0	74	Myron Ketron
0	74	Robert Chastain	0	74	Charles Kuhns
1	73	Robert Eschbach	0	74	Raymond Puckett
0	74	Benjamin Grant	0	74	Charles Ruth
0	74	Robert Hoppe	0	74	David Schneider
0	74	Kenneth Jenkins	0	74	Harvey Smith
			0	74	Craig South

1 ballot cast blank

Inasmuch as Harley Brown has exceeded the time limit for meeting the requirements of Probationer's relationship, and inasmuch as he has completed only two years of the reading course,
Be it resolved.
that his Probationer's License be validated for one year.
Yes 73 No 2 75 Ballots cast
Ballots for Ordination

No.	Yes		No.	Yes	
0	73	Roy Schutz	7	66	Robert Hoover

JOHN BERGLAND
Chairman of Tellers

Report No. 20F

SPECIAL ELECTION 114 BALLOTS

BOARD OF MINISTERIAL TRAINING
Unexpired term — 2 years
52 E. E. Burtner
61 Demi Edwards*

TEMPLE OF GOOD WILL TRUSTEES
Ministers (two to be elected)
77 J. C. Herbert*
57 Howard James*
47 Edwin Pellett
46 W. W. Arnold
Laymen (two to be elected)
85 W. C. Arthur*
56 Clifford Benzing
60 Ralph Royer*
26 Milton Knollman
* Elected

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

CARL ROBINSON, Chairman	RALPH TINSLEY
HOWARD HAHN	OSCAR GAST
C. B. ESCHBACH	W. C. ARTHUR
LOUIS ODON	DEMI EDWARDS

TELLERS

JOHN BERGLAND, Chairman	RICHARD HEDGES
HENRY BROWN	ROBERT HOPPE
DON SHIPLEY	EARL TOY
CLYDE PARKS	PAUL CHASTAIN
JAMES FRAZIER	ROBERT CHASTAIN
ROY SCHUTZ	DONALD BAKER

Report No. 21

THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Transportation Committee of the Ohio Miami Conference makes the following report.

During the year 1956 and 1957 there were 13 moves. The total expense for these moves was $1,351.04. The Transportation Committee submits the following recommendations:

1. That the moving expenses be paid for all the full-time ministers moving within the Conference boundaries.

2. That the moving expense will not be paid for students moving into the Conference or moving out of the Conference. Students moving during the three or four year period will move at their own expense unless they belong to this Conference, then $25.00 will be paid by the Conference.

3. That those who are moving into the Conference as full-time ministers, will have their moving expenses paid from the Conference boundary. Where an unusual situation prevails, special consideration and counsel will be given by the Committee with recommendation to the Council of Administration.

4. That the maximum weight of any load of household goods, not exceed 12,000 lbs. All over 12,000 lbs. are to be paid by the owner.

5. That the moving expenses do not include lumber, machinery, tools, and hobby equipment.

6. All ministers who are moving are asked to comply with the moving schedule, presented by the mover or the Transportation Committee. No one should move until they are authorized; also this applies to students coming to the Conference.

7. That all breakage or damage claims be taken up directly by the owner with the mover. These claims should be submitted within one week after moving.

8. No packing expense will be paid by the Conference.

LORIN STINE
WALTER MIRANDA
W. A. HOHN

Report No. 22

ANNUAL REPORT OF CONFERENCE TREASURER

JUNE 1, 1956 — MAY 31, 1957

Balance end of last Conference year		$ 8,352.75
Receipts:		
Crusade	$ 59,735.12	
Benevolence	110,377.62	
Otterbein Home	38,403.87	
Camp Miami	5,581.10	
Communion Offerings	8,501,12	
Pension for forwarding	1,756.29	
Social Action Offering	36.74	
Home Mission for forwarding	530.00	
Seminary Living Endowment	250.00	
Foreign Mission for forwarding	4,676 48	
Seminary Scholarships	251.74	
Gregory Memorial Fund	420.85	
E.U.B. Men for forwarding	869.08	
Youth Fellowship for forwarding	120.90	
Mission Day Offering for forwarding	949.97	
Conference Minutes	299.55	
Special for Colleges	100.00	
American Bible Society	181.84	
Care	10.00	
Crop	15.06	
Share	2,341.37	
Session Offerings	257.65	
Share of Office Expense	551.99	
Convention Expense Refund	45.00	
Sale of Equipment	125.00	
Travel Refund	4.20	
		$236,392.54
Disbursements:		
Salaries:		
Superintendent	$ 6,000.00	
Program Director	5,150.00	
Office Secretary	1,709.60	
Treasurer	880.00	
Statistician	360.00	
Recording Secretary	180.00	
Superintendent Expense	1,500.00	
Pension	849.00	

Ministerial Aid Fund	4,100.00
Board of Christian Education	2,250.00
Group Insurance	2,500.00
Extension Fund	12,725.00
Evangelism	229.76
Social Action	128.90
Ohio Council of Churches	1,750.00
Town and Country Commission	300.00
Urban Church Commission	200.00
Miami Messenger	300.00
Episcopal Equity Fund	4,000.00
Seminary Scholarship	420.00
Benevolence	53,076.00
Supplies, Equipment and Postage	1,972.55
Utilities	994.46
Manse Repair	312.90
Manse Real Estate Tax	280.12
Moving Expense	1,351.04
White Oak Salary Adjustment	200.00
Convention Expense	476.50
Session Expense	296.00
Honorariam	85.00
Real Estate Tax	8.65
Travel	182.30
Conference Minutes	1,050.40
Meals	306.19
Insurance	62.50
Otterbein College Chaplain Fund	720.00
Ohio Colleges	2,000.00
For Forwarding:	
Pension	1,756.29
Crop	15.06
American Bible Society	181.84
E.U.B. Men	869.08
Communion Offering	8,501.12
Camp Miami	5,581.10
Care	10.00
Seminary Living Endowment	250.00
Gregory Memorial Fund	420.85
Mission Day Offering	949.97
Crusade	59,735.12
Otterbein Home	38,403.87
Home Missions	530.00
Foreign Missions	4,676.48
Share	2,341.37
Youth	120.90
Loan to Extension Fund	2,500.00
	$235,749.92
Balance end of Conference year 1956-57	$ 8,995.37

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Extension Fund	$ 6,500.00

EXTENSION FUND

Balance end of last Conference year		$ 8,962.95
Receipts:		
Conference	$12,725.00	
Communion Offering	8,533.62	
2500 Club	3,770.00	
Eastmont	1,400.00	
South Bend E.U.B. Church	510.00	
Refund on Eastmont Construction	37.50	
Loan:		
New Madison E.U.B. Church	8,000.00	

General Fund	2,500.00	
Dollar Federal Hamilton (Hamilton Property)	15,934.45	
E.U.B. Men	1,500.00	
		$54,910.57
Disbursements:		
Hamilton Equipment	250.00	
Hamilton Repair	366.26	
Insurance	226.92	
Travel	69.80	
Meals	64.41	
Legal Fees	65.00	
Interest	2,915.00	
Principal	30,738.85	
Conventions	115.60	
Real Estate Tax	4,419.67	
Hamilton Construction	14,800.00	
Supplies	69.98	
Postage and Printing	307.07	
Pleasant Ridge Salary	1.000.00	
Eastmont Salary	1,950.00	
Hyde Park	1,000.00	
Blanchester Circuit	300.00	
Hamilton	2,400.00	
Brown County Circuit	625 00	
Aley	500.00	
		$62,183.56
Balance end of Conference Year 1956-57		$ 1,689.96

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

General Fund	$ 6,500.00
New Madison E.U.B. Church	8,000 00
Dollar Federal Savings & Loan Association	15,471.39
Camp Miami Improvement Fund	1,500.00
Board of Christian Education	1,000.00
Real Estate Foundation	13.200.00
R. H. Grant	100,000.00
Flat Rock Home	14,000.00
	$159,671.39

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Balance end of last Conference year		$ 399.64
Receipts:		
Conference	$2,250.00	
Registrations	83.00	
Youth Fellowship Offerings	3,526.99	
		$ 5.859.99
Disbursements:		
Conventions	622.82	
Printing and Supplies	49.14	
Visual Education	22.25	
Honoraria	185.00	
Travel	250.05	
Treasurer	200.00	
Meals	71.74	
Telephone	18.00	
Office Expense	200.00	
World Service	3,108.80	
G.M.G.	418.19	
		$ 5,145.99

Balance end of Conference year 1956-57		$ 1,113.64
Operating Fund	$ 987.13	
Loan Fund	126.51	
	$1,113.64	

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Extension Fund	$1,000.00

CAMP MIAMI

Balance end of last Conference year		$ 1,937.92
Receipts:		
Board	13,674.08	
Room	10,477.84	
Store	1,554.25	
Rent	1,482.00	
Store "S"	880.60	
Utilities	133.78	
Supplies	498.68	
Craft	403.93	
Offering (Youth Fellowship)	171.34	
Insurance Refund	60.29	
Gift	30.00	
Equipment Sold	160.00	
Insurance (Individual Campers)	282.45	
		$29,809.24
Disbursements:		
Utilities	$ 2,688.68	
Supplies	2,163.88	
Meals	36.16	
New Equipment	429.52	
Printing and Postage	91.10	
Store "S"	1,214.21	
Food	9,743.85	
Store	969.90	
Caretaker Salary	3,400.00	
Other Kitchen Salary	3,189.85	
Treasurer Salary	320.00	
Repair	424.41	
Travel	678.18	
Text Books	220.76	
Insurance	1,100.21	
Real Estate Tax	1,034.45	
Craft	398.73	
Social Security	111.78	
Campers' Insurance	282.45	
Sales Tax	140.68	
Workmen Compensation	55.73	
Offering Forwarded (Youth Fellowship)	171.34	
		$28,855.87
Balance end of Conference year 1956-57		$ 2,891.29

CAMP MIAMI IMPROVEMENT

Balance end of last Conference year		$ 9,291.10
Receipts:		
Assessments	$13,324.60	
Federations	218.00	
		$13,542.60

Disbursements:		
New Equipment	2,056.50	
Repair	1,020.83	
Supplies	738.30	
Building Supplies	572.35	
Travel	102.36	
Principal Payment	15,670.00	
Interest	217.50	
		$20,377.84
Balance end of Conference year 1956-57		$ 2,455.86

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Extension Fund	$1,500.00

TWENTY-FIVE HUNDRED CLUB

Balance end of last Conference year		$ 2,197.00
Receipts:		
Contributoins	$3,218.00	
		3,218.00
Disbursements:		
Payment of Extension Fund	3,770.00	3,770.00
Balance end of Conference year 1956-57		$ 1,645.00

MINISTERIAL AID FUND

Balance end of last Conference year		$ 20.10
Receipts:		
Publishing Houses	$6,425.85	
Conference	4,100.00	
Refund — Mrs. M. E. Gibson	32.00	
		$10,557.85
Disbursements:		
To Retired Ministers and Ministers' Widows		$10,145.00
Balance end of Conference year 1956-57		$ 432.95

GROUP INSURANCE

Balance end of last Conference year		$ 4,675.92
Receipts:		
Premiums	$1,855.00	
Conference	2,500.00	4,355.00
Disbursements:		
Prudential Life Insurance Co.	6,303.57	
Travel and Honorarium	67.71	6,371.28
Balance end of Conference year 1956-57		$ 2,659.64

E.U.B. MEN

Balance end of last Conference year		$ 1,015.68
Receipts:		
Churches	$2,031.56	
Offerings	208.30	
		2,239.86

Disbursements:		
Postage	29.17	
Printing	31.15	
Telephone	5.73	
Honorarium	182.50	
E.U.B. Men	910.00	
Miami Conference Extension	1,500.00	
Conventions	184.82	$ 2,843.37
Balance end of Conference year 1956-57		$ 412.17

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Report No. 23

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

The Standing Committee on Ways and Means recommends that the following resolutions be adopted:

Denominational Emphasis

1. That the theme for the year be "The Resources of the Church."
2. That each local church includes in its program the study of the denominational booklet, "The Resources of the Church."

Christian Education

1. That the recommendations of the Conference Board of Christian Education be the program with special emphasis as follows:
   a. Summer Camps
   b. Christian Education Week, including Rally Day and Promotion Day
   c. Good Literature Sunday
   d. Brotherhood Week
   e. Catechetical and Adult Instruction Classes
   f. Vacation Church Schools
   g. Men's Work
      (1) That the Conference EUB Men again underwrite the Conference Mission program with a financial support of $1800.
      (2) That the six districts be organized as prescribed under the EUB Men's work, namely, president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer and the four commission chairmen.
      (3) That each district hold regular meetings and promote the work of the General Church with regard to Men's Work.
      (4) That each district lay leader be responsible to help the Conference EUB Men's president organize the districts and set regular meetings for each district.
      (5) That *each* minister be properly instructed that it is part of his church duty to promote the General Church EUB Men's Work and to make every effort to organize a local chapter.
      (6) That the Fourth Annual EUB Men's Congress be held on March 8, 1958, from 9:30 A.M. to 8:30 P.M.
      (7) That the annual pre-conference fellowship and evening worship be conducted June 9, 1958.
      (8) That each local church observe Men's Day on October 20, 1957, with the morning worship service conducted by laymen.
2. That each local church avail itself of the opportunities for visual education offered by the Conference through the Conference Director of Visual Education.
3. That each local church organize the Local Board of Christian Education, the age group councils, and the Sunday School Council as provided by the Discipline, and that constant encouragement be given to such bodies as working agencies of the local church.

4. That each local church recognize that Christian Education is a life-long process and that the work of the Sunday school in its appeal to all age groups be encouraged by:
   a. Concerted effort to enroll and secure the participation of the new church members and their children in the Sunday school.
   b. Emphasis on the mission of the Sunday school in all evangelistic work.
   c. Recognition of Vacation Church Schools, Weekday Church Schools, and any church census of the local community as an opportunity for the Sunday school to reach out to unchurched families.
5. That Ohio-Miami Conference support Otterbein College and United Theological Seminary recruiting young people as students for these schools.
6. That each church participate in and support the work of the Ohio Council of Churches, the National Council of Churches, and Councils on a city or county level.
7. That each church cooperate in every way possible with the program of our General Board of Christian Education.
8. That the local church cooperate in any community schools of Leadership Education, and/or set up such schools in the local church.
9. That the local church give attention to the Conference-Wide Children's Workers' and make it possible for local children's workers to attend.
10. That local churches cooperate in the Conference youth program and strive to have representatives present at Conference-wide youth rallies in the spring and fall.
11. That emphasis be given to the Young Adult Conference at Camp Miami.
12. That the local church, through its Board of Christian Education, study the needs of the older members of the church with the view of better meeting their needs.

Camp Miami

That with respect to Camp Miami the following resolutions be adopted:

Since Camp Miami has become, in an increasing manner, the center for Conference activities, entertaining Annual Conference, the Branch Convention and numerous institutions as well as our greatly expanding camping program, and

Whereas, to perform these services more efficiently and adequately we need better facilities, and

Whereas, the time has expired for the present Camp Miami Improvement Fund. and

Whereas, we have many projects that we hope to complete in the next four years, including the building of a swimming pool, the rehabilitation of our electrical services, the installation of additional plumbing and heating facilities, the further development of driveways and parking areas, the development of an outdoor camping program, the development of a picnic area and other items of equipment, and

Whereas, it is impossible to realize the necessary monies for any of these projects from our operational income, and

Whereas, we have always looked to our churches for this kind of support,

Now therefore, we recommend that we establish on a continuing basis the Camp Miami Improvement Fund and that churches be assigned quotas through the Sunday school at the rate of $1.00 per year per average attendant. This figure each year shall be determined on the average attendance at Sunday school for the year just closed. This sum shall be paid annually during the Conference year. Any church feeling the need of special consideration will make such a request and meet with a review committee which shall be established for that purpose.

Evangelism

That the following resolutions be adopted:

1. Each pastor be urged to bring the complete report of the Committee on Evangelism to the attention of his Church Council.
2. That the theme for each church for 1957-58 be "The Resources of the Church."

3. That each church follow the program of Evangelism designed by the denominational Board of Evangelism, and utilize materials published for evangelism by the National Council.
4. That the local Committee on Evangelism give a report at the last local conference of each church, and that the Superintendent place this report on his agenda for each church.
5. That the Committee on Evangelism make a concerted effort to revitalize and re-enlist inactive members, and report to the Conference Superintendent the status of inactive members at each local conference.
6. That identical, simultaneous Evangelism Institutes be held in each district on Evangelism Sunday, January 12, 1958.
7. That every church conduct a survey to provide an up-to-date prospect list for visitation evangelism to be held the first three weeks of Lent in 1958.

Budget — Stewardship and Finance

That the following resolutions be adopted with respect to Stewardship and Finance:

1. That each local church strive to have its members respond to the Christian stewardship of possessions by giving as "God prospers them;" that the stewardship of time and talents be recognized as the responsibility of every member.
2. That systematic giving through envelopes be urged as a means of developing a sense of stewardship among all members—including children.
3. We urge every local church to conduct an Every Member Enlistment. We recognize the United Church Canvass to be a good way to present stewardship opportunities to the membership, and encourage local churches to participate in United Church Canvass wherever possible.
4. That each local church accept its obligations to pay in full the benevolence allocations assigned by the Conference and denomination for this quadrennium.
5. That regular reports be made to the congregation informing them concerning the expenditure of church funds.
6. That local churches organize the Finance Committee according to the Discipline and that this Committee present a proposed budget before Every Member Canvass and a revised or final budget after Canvass for approval of the local Council of Administration (within 60 days before Conference).
7. That all churches of the Conference observe World Communion Sunday, October 6, 1957. and that the sum of $10,000 be established as a goal for Conference Missions.
8. That a committee be appointed in each church to promote the Otterbein Home Offering so that it is at least one dollar per members.
9. That each church cooperate fully in the United Crusade for Colleges, Seminaries and Church Extension by paying 75% of the allocation assigned for this quadrennium by June 1, 1958.
10. That the Ohio Miami Conference be authorized to continue its efforts to enlarge the Mission funds by special gifts contributed by individuals
11. That the Board of Missions, under the direction of the Conference Council of Administration be authorized to:
    a. Continue to assist the new churches and others that may be established, in becoming functioning churches according to the provisions of the Discipline.
    b. To supply financial assistance as needed from Conference Extension funds, loans from such sources as available, and from special gifts.
12. That the regular monthly remittance of benevolence monies be mailed so as to reach the Conference Treasurer by Thursday following the last Sunday of the month.
13. That we encourage local churches to study the literature available on "The Local Church in Your Will", and that each church promote this matter according to the local situation.

14. That the Conference Church Extension Fund program be promoted in every church so that individual church members who are in a position to do so may be made aware of the possibilities of assisting in the program of church building in the Conference. Furthermore, we encourage local churches which have permanent or inactive funds and building funds to invest such in the Conference Church Extension Fund.
15. That the Conference Council of Administration be instructed to appoint a Committee on Stewardship as authorized in paragraph 549 of the Discipline. This Committee to formulate a workable plan of stewardship for Ohio Miami Conference and the churches of the Ohio Miami Conference, and to promote the same, whereas, we are seeking to do this across the state.
16. That in view of the fact that the Historical Society is making a study of the needs and manner of the 150 Anniversary of the Ohio Miami Conference, we recommend that the appropriation for this observance be postponed until the 1958 session.
17. That the amount of $3500, drawn from the General Fund for the purpose of Church Extension, be cancelled as an obligation of the Church Extension Fund.
18. That the Conference Council of Administration appoint a committee to study a plan for the annual re-adjustment of the Benevolence quotas. This plan and any recommended re-adjustments to be presented at the March meeting of the Council.
19. That the Benevolence and Crusade quotas be as follows:

Northwest Group

Abbotsville	$ 264	$ 600	Savona	336	750
Caylor Chapel	384	850	Phillipsburg	1200	2700
Antioch	1200	2800	Pyrmont	504	1150
Arcanum	1800	4000	Potsdam	600	1350
Arlington	624	1400	West Sonora	252	550
Brookville	1248	2800	Rossburg Circuit		
Castine	468	1030	Hiestand	192	425
Weaver Station	232	525	Rose Hill	300	650
Clayton	1068	2400	Rossburg	96	200
Eldorado	480	1060	Yorkshire	156	400
Eaton	552	1250	Union City	1560	3500
Greenville	1512	3400	Verona	900	2000
Ithaca	900	2000	Wares Chapel	612	1400
Nashville	456	1000	Waterhouse	360	800
Lewisburg	972	2200	West Manchester	492	1100
New Madison	1200	2500	Yankeetown	288	625
New Hope	480	1100	District Total	$22,144	$49,565
Otterbein	$ 456	$ 1050			

Central Group

Aley	492	1100	Miamisburg	1056	2400
Beavertown	1896	4200	Normandy	600	
Beardshear	1344	3150	Oak Street	4224	9400
Belmont	3900	8600	Oakwood	1584	3600
Eastmont	408	950	Otterbein	3252	7200
Englewood	780	1750	Residence Park	1248	3000
Euclid Avenue	3600	7200	Riverside	458	1000
Drexel	1272	2850	Sulphur Grove	912	2000
Fairview	4224	9400	Southern Hills	1320	3000
First Church	4224	9400	Trinity	2016	4500
Ft. McKinley	1536	3500	Troy	828	1850
Hartford Street	924	2000	Vandalia	1968	4400
High Street	1500	3200	Wagner	924	2000
Liberty	1392	3200	Wayne Avenue	1608	3600
Miami Chapel	876	2000	Zion	408	950
Miami Valley	60	200	District Total	$50,834	$111,600

Southwest Group

Bevis	384	900	Mt. Airy	$ 840	$ 1900
Cherry Grove	1080	2400	Mt. Healthy	1116	2600
Five Mile	144	300	New Haven	540	1200
Cheviot	1596	3600	Harrison	264	600
Clifton	1392	2800	Newport	648	1500
Clough	936	2100	North Bend	756	1700
College Hill	756	1700	Willey Memorial	552	1250
Dunlap	240	550	Zion	648	1450
Hyde Park	372	850	District Total	$12,264	$27,400

Southeast Group

Batavia	$ 898	$ 2000	Union Plains	$ 180	$ 400
Midland City	120	265	Hillsboro-Bethany	420	850
Second Creek	180	400	East Danville	132	300
Brown County Parish			Mowrystown	456	1024
Bloom Rose	144	310	Wrightsville	120	280
Browntown	132	285	Liberty Chapel	84	200
Ketterman	84	200	District Total	$2,950	$ 6,514

West Group

Farmersville	$ 1140	$ 2550	Otterbein Home	$ 1104	$ 2500
Germantown	1728	3325	Oregonia	204	450
Greenbush	228	500	Pleasant Ridge	584	1300
Hamilton, First	1788	4000	Jacksonburg	432	950
Hamilton, Ninth St.	828	1850	Springboro	456	1000
Hamilton, St. Marks	192	400	State Road	408	900
Johnsville	672	1500	Union Chapel	624	1400
Maple Park	396	900	Utica	216	500
Middletown	2592	5400	West Elkton	300	660
Millville	516	1160	District Total	$14,408	$31,245

Northeast Group

Bowlusville	$ 732	$ 1650	New Hope	$ 324	$ 700
Columbus Avenue	468	1050	Piqua	1200	2650
Fletcher	864	1920	Rosewood	828	1850
Ginghamsburg	672	1500	Xenia	888	2000
Lagonda	2208	5000	District Total	$ 8,544	$19,120
Lockington	360	800			
			Total Allocation	$111,144	$245,444

20. That the Budget for 1957-58 be as follows:

1. ADMINISTRATIVE (Preferred)

Superintendent's Salary	$6,000.00	
Superintendent's Travel Expense	2,000.00	
Utilities, Conference Manse	450.00	
Pensions	1,008.00	
Secretary, Conference Office Salary	1,800.00	
Social Security and Workmen's Compensation	100.00	
Program Director's Salary	5,200.00	
Recording Secretary (honorarium)	200.00	
Statistician (honorarium)	200.00	
Treasurer (honorarium)	900.00	
Travel and Convention: Officers, Boards and Committees	1,200.00	
Total Administrative		$19,058.00

2. BOARD OF MISSIONS $12,725.00

3. GENERAL OPERATIONS AND EDUCATION		
Board of Christian Education	$2,250.00	
Miami Messenger	300.00	
Printing and General Expense	2,500.00	
Ohio Council of Churches	1,830.00	
Rural Church Commission	300.00	
Urban Church Commission	300.00	
Student Work at State Universities	2,100.00	
Board of Ministerial Training	25.00	
Historical Committee	100.00	
Evangelism Commission	200.00	
Social Action Committee	200.00	
Stewardship Commission	100.00	
Session Expense	300.00	
Property Maintenance and Taxes	750.00	
Chaplain, Otterbein College	720.00	
Office Expense (Telephone, etc.)	450.00	
Group Ministerial Registration, Ohio Pastors' Convention	225.00	
Total General Operations and Education		$12,650.00
4. MINISTERIAL RETIREMENT AID		$ 2,000.00
5. GROUP INSURANCE		2,500.00
6. MOVING EXPENSE		2,200.00
7. EPISCOPAL EQUITY FUND		2,103.00
8. GENERAL CAUSES		53,076.00
9. CONTINGENCY		4,832.00
TOTAL		$111,144.00

BOARD OF MISSIONS BUDGET

PROPOSED INCOME		
Appropriation	$12,725.00	
E.U.B. Men	1,800.00	
World Communion Offering	10,000.00	
Special Gifts	5,000.00	
		$29,525.00
EXPENDITURES — DEBT REDUCTION (CONFERENCE)		
Flat Rock	$2,560.00	
New Madison (Int.)	640.00	
Real Estate Foundation	4,928.00	
Dollar Federal	1,572.00	
		$ 9,700.00
DEBT REDUCTION — LOCAL CHURCHES		
St. Marks	$2,000.00	
Normandy	7,500.00	
		$ 9.500.00
BUILDING PROGRAM ASSISTANCE		
Eastmont	$2,400.00	
Aley	500.00	
		$ 2,900.00

CURRENT BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS		
Eastmont	$1,900.00	
Hyde Park	800.00	
Blanchester	300.00	
Pleasant Ridge	800.00	
Bevis	1,000.00	
Brown County Parish	500.00	
		$ 5,300.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		$27,400.00
CONTINGENT		2,125.00
TOTAL		$29,525.00

The Ministry

That with respect to the Ministry the following resolutions be adopted:

1. That every pastor assigned a charge accept the sacred obligation of faithfully performing the duties of his assignment for the Conference year.
2. That all ministers serving local churches of the Conference attend their district meetings. That the purpose of the meetings be for spiritual enrichment, promotion and fellowship.
3. That every minister give special attention to the enlistment of qualified men for the Christian Ministry, and that an opportunity be given to young men to dedicate themselves and answer the call to the Christian Ministry. The names of such men shall be given to the Conference Superintendent.
4. That each minister serving a charge submit all reports required of him on time (even though incomplete).
5. That the Conference Superintendent assign each student minister serving a charge to a full-time minister who shall counsel the student on all matters pertaining to the ministry.
6. That all assignments be effective at the close of the Conference Session and that the ministers will asume the duties and preach on the assigned charge June 16.
7. That each minister cooperate with the administrative heads of Otterbein College, completing and returning promptly the questionnaires of the College relating to prospective students. Ministers should inform propective students of scholarship opportunities.
8. That each minister make an effort to acquaint all the members of his church with their duties as Christian laymen.
9. That each minister consider it his duty to be well informed on current social, political and economic issues.
10. That all ministers give special attention to his pastoral ministry this year calling on the sick, shut-ins, prospective members, etc.
11. That all ministers hold to the highest standards of personal dress and conduct for himself and the members of his family. That he maintain a high moral standard in his speech, even regarding indiscriminate use of slang and criticism.
12. That all ministers follow the highest ethical standards in their relation to other ministers, especially in connection with their predecessors and successor of the parish.
13. That Probationers serving charges in the Ohio Miami Conference be authorized to administer the sacraments.

Ministerial Support

1. That the minimum cash salary of each full-time minister serving a charge be at least $4,000.00 per year and residence. That all churches arrange for regular payment of same.
2. That in addition to $4,000.00 the churches be urged to provide for parsonage utilities, including heat, light, water and telephone.

3. That in the event the minimum salary is not met by the charge, the minister and lay delegate may present their case to the Conference Council of Administration for advice and direction.
4. That adequate provision be made for minister's travel expenses in performance of his pastoral duties.
5. That the local church set up a discretionary fund for use by the pastor for office expense, periodicals, tracts, etc.
6. That local churches who have not done so, consider the 3% payment of the pastor's salary to the Board of Pensions in addition to the 6% which it now pays.
7. That in providing the parsonage, the board of trustees in each local church give due consideration to furnishing special purpose equipment such as stove or refrigerator or other such items when specially adapted to the parsonage.
8. That each charge grant an annual vacation of at least three weeks duration without reduction in salary and with proper provision for pulpit supply. Ministerial activities in connection with conferences, conventions, etc., are not to be considered as vacation.
9. That churches to which new pastors are assigned begin payment of pastors salaries with June 16 and end with the first Saturday after Annual Conference in 1958.
10. That local churches pay the expense of their minister to the Ohio Pastors' Convention.

Church Administration

1. That the Board of Trustees of each charge shall determine the value of the church building, the parsonage, and other congregational property each year prior to the Annual Conference, and shall see that such property and equipment are adequately insured, and to keep in repair and condition the property for regular usage by the congregation; also, that the Board of Trustees give consideration to the advisability of liability insurance in compliance with the Ohio Workmen's Compensation Law where required.
2. That the minister of each charge, early in the Conference year, with the approval of the Council of Administration of the charge, appoint a nominating committee to suggest candidates for the various offices, where no other procedure is provided by the Discipline.
3. That in accordance with the Discipline, the following schedule of elections be followed:
   Financial Secretary, Church Treasurer, Stewards be elected by the local Council of Administration or the Local Conference (see paragraphs 63, 68, 69).
   Trustees, Class Leader and Sunday School officers be elected by the Annual Congregational meeting (see paragraph 72). The members of the Local Church shall be the voting members of the congregation.
4. That instruction be given by the minister relative to the duties of officers, and that the publication, "Lay Leadership in the Church," be brought to their attention.
5. That full recognition and support be given to the Otterbein Home Auxiliary, United Theological Seminary Auxiliary, local council of churches and other denominational and interdenominational organizations recognized by the Denomination.
6. That the Finance Committee of each charge be advised to consider the Annual Conference Session expenses of the lay delegate or alternate, and of the minister as items in the annual budget.
7. That the treasurer of each organization of the local church be required to carry the funds under his supervision in checking account, or savings account, in a bank approved by the Council of Administration of the local church, and that all such accounts be carried in the name of their respective organization; the books of all general treasurers and financial secretaries be audited annually, where the funds are large enough to justify the treasurer or treasurers being bonded.

8. That the "Plan Book" prepared by our denominational leaders be used as a program guide in each local church.
9. That the approval of the Conference Superintendent first be secured before any local church takes any action to secure articles of incorporation, or amend articles, if already incorporated.
10. That the local Council of Administration appoint the committees as indicated in paragraphs 568-577 of the Discipline.

Representatives of 14 churches met with the Committee to discuss the Missions and Benevolence Budget and to explain why their individual churches had not paid their apportionment. The payment of the Crusade Quota was also discussed.

In a number of cases assurances were given that the amounts would be paid in full. In all cases the importance of paying the full quotas was discussed. The Committee stressed the responsibilities of the lay delegates in helping the pastor interpret the program of the Conference to the church members.

Our reactions:

We think this is a good procedure and would lead to better understanding on a Conference-wide basis. We believe the work of this Committee ought to be completed if possible the first day of Conference. We discovered that a large number of lay delegates of the churches in question did not return for the second day of Conference.

Some effort ought to be made to have lay delegates and ministers remain for all the sessions of the Conference unless otherwise excused.

WALTER N. MIRANDA,
Chairman

Report No. 24

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Conference Board of Christian Education submits the following report:

The plan of the Board is to promote, stimulate, and aid the program of Christian Education in the local churches throughout the Conference. The activities of the Board are planned and executed with this fundamental and basic purpose in mind. We have no desire to build a super program or structure which will weaken rather than strengthen the program of the local church. We can best do this job when there is universal participation and communication in relation to our activities.

The degree of success which we have is directly related to the sacrificial efforts of the members of the Board. These people give of their time with great devotion — ministers and lay people alike join in this very important work. We are also reminded again and again that we are building on the fine foundations that our predecessors have laid down and for this we say a very sincere "thank you." We are indeed grateful to the churches of the Conference for their loyal support of our program and solicit their continued support and prayers.

PERSONNEL — The Board is made up of the following persons:

John Clippinger, President: Paul Herrick, Vice-President; Charles C. Messmer, Secretary: W. A. Hahn, Treasurer; W. K. Messmer, Mrs. Vance Cribbs, Mrs. Pauline Dillon, Mrs. Carrie Haines, Lorin Stine, Mrs. Ruth Eschbach, Harvey C. Hahn, Sam Upton, E. H. Hammon, Robert Foreman, Mrs. Miriam Erbaugh, Carl Vorpe, Maurice Gribler and Dale Shipley.

Mrs. Hazel Dover has succeeded Mrs. Ruth Eschbach as the Branch President of W.S.W.S. We say a hearty thank you to Mrs. Eschbach, and welcome to Mrs. Dover.

The Board met quarterly for planning and business. At each meeting the work of various departments came up for review. In order to keep up with the meaningful developments in Christian Education, a significant book or article is presented at the meeting by some member of the Board. The various areas of work are now organized into committees and the committees are beginning to function. Some committees need to stimulate and accelerate their work so as to strengthen the total job done around the Conference. We will be glad to have requests and suggestions from churches of the Conference.

The director has been at work, on an invitational basis, with teachers and officers of several Sunday schools of our Conference. A workshop and discussion was conducted with thirteen of our churches. This area of work needs great expansion and the director hopes to get into more and more of the churches. Several of the age-group directors also served the local churches with special consultations.

The Board supervises the operation of Camp Miami and also plans the camping program. These areas of work will be discussed in a subsequent paragraph.

The Board gives guidance to the Program Director of the Conference who also serves as the General Director of Christian Education.

ACTIVITIES

During this year members of the Board participated in the activities of the National Council of Churches; (2) The Ohio Council of Churches and its various departments; (3) The General Board of Christian Education of the E.U.B. Church, and several of its committees; (4) City and County Councils of Churches within the bounds of our Conference. Our Conference was well represented at the General Convention of Christian Education and Evangelism at Lake Koronis, Paynesville, Minnesota, last July 9-13.

EVANGELISM

Rev. Harvey C. Hahn, Conference Director of Evangelism, will review the record of the churches in this very important phase of our labors.

SUMMER CAMPS

Last year the number of campers in Youth and Children's Camps totalled 727. This number does not include Missions Camp or Ministers' Family Camp. These groups add about 250 persons to the total.

A full week of Junior camping was added last year. This year we are replacing one three-day Junior Camp with a six-day Camp, and adding a week-end camp for older youth, and also adding a Laymen's Family Camp.

The camping schedule for 1957 is: Senior Camp, June 24-29; Junior Camp A, June 30-July 3; Junior Camp B, July 3-6; Intermediate Camp A, July 8-13; Older Youth Camp, July 13, 14; Junior Camp C, July 15-20; Intermediate Camp B, July 22-27; Junior Camp D, July 29-Aug. 3; Junior Camp E, Aug. 4-7; Laymen's Family Camp, Aug. 23-25; Ministers' Family Camp, Aug. 25-27.

A careful study of the participation in the camping program reveals that all too few of our churches are at work in this field. We need full operation in order for our program to be most helpful. Local churches are encouraged to offer financial assistance to the campers from their church.

CAMP MIAMI IMPROVEMENT FUND

The five years of the current Camp Miami Improvement Fund Campaign have been completed. To date we have received nearly $68,000.00 in contributions to this fund, and a few churches have indicated their intention to finish the amount assigned. We wish to take this opportunity to express our very sincere appreciation to all the churches who have shared in this program. Our thanks are not spoken lightly, but with depth of feeling, for we know that in some cases devoted effort was required to meet these goals and make the contributions. It is very regretable that some of the churches saw fit to fail in their responsibility in this connection This program is under the sponsorship of *all* of our churches and, as in a family, when one fails to do his fair share, his total burden must be borne by someone else.

At the close of this report a special recommendation will be made regarding a continuing program of support for improvement at the Camp. It is our hope that every church will respond to the challenge that we shall hold forward. There is a great deal of development in our future plans.

During the current year most of the expenditures have gone toward our indebtedness, however, as can be noted, several areas have been improved. We have purchased some much-needed equipment for operation of camps; we have decorated and put tile floor on the second and third floor dormitory halls; we have begun a complete rehabilitation of the craft room; and we have made other repairs and decorations as time has permitted.

We are grateful for the help given by a number of people from our churches in decorating and house-cleaning.

Special gifts this year have come to us from the various groups and churches. Some were cash and others were certain types of furnishings and equipment. These gifts include drapes for the first floor bedrooms and a coffee maker from the women of Fairview; drapes and decoration (to be completed) of the committee room across from the lounge from the women of Cheviot; tile floor in a bedroom, from Middletown: curtains for second and third floor bedrooms from Southwest Women's Federation; cash (project to be selected) from Central District Women's Federation; a permanent projection screen for the chapel from West District Women's Federation; cash (project to be selected) from the Northeast District Women's Federation; heater for the director's office from the Southwest District E.U.B. Men's group, several bundles of dish towels from churches, and tables and chairs from the Phillipsburg Church.

Several other special projects are under preparation and will be noted at some future time. Our thanks goes to all these organizations and churches.

WORK AMONG COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

The work among students on state university campuses is a significant attempt to reach E.U.B. students with the ministry of the church. Rev. Donald Gorrell, director of this very important work, will report to the Annual Conference session. The General Director and the Youth Director of the Conference made two trips to Otterbein College to meet with our students there. We discovered that 79 students from our Conference were enrolled at Otterebin during the school year. On May 1st we had a picnic supper at the Westerville Park with about 30 of these students.

At its most recent meeting, the Board approved the selection of Conference Director of Student Work.

TELESCOPE-MESSENGER

Some time ago we began to look objectively at our record of Telescope-Messenger subscriptions. Since we realized that we were not doing an adequate job of circulation throughout the Conference, a special committee has been authorized and is at work at the present time. Their report will be in the form of recommended procedures for improving our record. We also hope to distill some suggestions as to how the paper itself can become more useful to our people and our churches.

It is our hope that every church will evaluate its own record with the view that improvements can be and must be made.

We will look forward to the report from the special committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Board of Christian Education recommends:

A. That the churches and Sunday schools of the Conference include in their yearly program:
   1. Support of the program of Christian Education proposed by this Board especially relating to institutes, rallies and training sessions.
   2. Support of the camping program.
   3. Observance of Christian Education Week, including Rally Day and Promotion Day; and observance of Good Literature Sunday and Brotherhood Week.
   4. Catechetical instruction classes, noting the responsibility for adult training as well as training for children.
   5. Vacation church schools.
   6. Establishment of the Boys and Girls Fellowship.
   7. The organization of a Board of Christian Education in the local church.
   8. Careful use of vast audio-visual materials available.
   9. Organize E.U.B. Men on a local level.
   10. Encourage Sunday school teachers to avail themselves of any "in-service" training at hand. If no community opportunity is available, the church should have one of its own.

B. That Ohio-Miami Conference churches support Otterbein College and United Theological Seminary. That the churches take seriously the responsibility of recruiting young people as students in these schools.
C. That we participate in and support the work of the Ohio Council of Churches, the National Council of Churches, and Councils on a city or county level.
D. That churches make a note of the second Church School Superintendents Conference in Columbus, October 25-27, and send their superintendent.
E. That our people attend the very important denominational meetings which are being held during the ensuing year.
F. We make special note of the Quadrennial Student Conference to be held at Albright College in Reading, Pennsylvania, December 31 to January 3.
G. That we cooperate in every way possible with the program of our General Board of Christian Education.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES C. MESSMER

Directors' Reports

DIRECTOR OF AUDIO-VISUALS

During the Conference year the Director served as resource and information person for local churches through its pastors and lay leaders in the field of audio-visual education; served as co-ordinator of the Conference film library in supplying film needs for local churches; promoted the use of the United Crusade film, "Focus on Opportunity"; made available films and equipment for use in Children's Workers Conference; booked, supplied, and shipped the new series of misionary filmstrips that were used by W.S.W.S. and C.S.G. organizations in local churches in the Conference.

A continuing educational effort is being made to acquaint local churches through her pastors and lay leaders to make greater use of the audio-visual resources in the Conference library. The Director is willing to assist local churches in the larger development of their audio-visual program.

Respectfully submitted,
R. L. FOREMAN

Director of Youth Work

1. THE YOUTH WORK COMMITTEE

The committee met nine times during the year, primarily to plan for and conduct the Conference youth rallies. Last fall we held two rallies, one for senior hi youth on September 16, and one for junior hi's on September 30. Attendance and response indicate this is a worth-while procedure. We are limited in rally activities by camp facilities, especially the capacity of the camp chapel. Although we feel the most effective procedure might be to help youth work in small groups as well as one large one, we have found it impossible to create small-group activity for 500 youth. The spring rally was held May 12, 1957.

The committee is completing its organization, with three district youth vice-presidents still to be elected, and two district lay youth leaders to be replaced because of resignations.

The expanding committee has indeed been more able to cope with Conference-wide problems, and has furnished the youth program with new ideas and insights. Young people have assumed and carried out most of the work of the Conference youth program, and have done it well.

2. THE CONFERENCE YOUTH DIRECTOR

The director of youth work met with the regular meetings of the Conference Board of Christian Education, and the Camp Curriculum Committee. He directed Intermediate Camp "B" last summer, met with the youth work committee nine times, presided at the rallies, and attended the Youth Work section of the Division of Education meetings of the National Council of Churches in Cincinnati in February, 1957. He spoke in four different churches, in connection with his duties as youth director.

3. FUTURE PLANS

The committee's first objective is to complete its membership with the election of the above-named officers.

Secondly, although we have reached this year's goal of increasing understanding of and participation in the World Service Fund projects by local churches, we hope to increase in growing youth the awareness of the world mission of the church.

The committee is considering a plan to send experienced campers to local churches needing help in the promotion of the summer camping program. The purpose would be: (1) To help the local church youth to understand the camping program, and perhaps catch some of the enthusiastic spirit of the campers; (2) To help local churches utilize more fully the resources of our church camp in developing better leaders for the local church; (3) With the approval of the Board of Christian Education, to help in the dissemination of information about any future development plans for the Camp, and the local church's responsibility in carrying out those plans.

The youth director wishes to commend the fine work of young people on the committee who have willingly assumed the tasks necessary for a youth program. He wishes also to thank the youth of the Conference who have responded to the request of the committee to serve in programs and rallies. The director is considerably indebted to the Conference Program Director for his guidance and cooperation, and to the Board of Christian Education for their support and encouragement.

Respectfully submitted,
CARL V. VORPE

Director of Adult Work

The Adult Work of the Conference for the year 1956-57 has not been very extensive. The main area of emphasis has been in the men's work with encouragement given to the development of local and district men's organizations. The Men's Congress held at Camp Miami on March 9 was expanded this year to include a morning session of discussion groups in keeping with the general thinking of the men in attendance the previous year who felt that a longer time could be utilized for the Congress. There was good leadership for the Congress and the men in attendance were given help and inspiration for their own local groups. Under the leadership of Program Director, Charles Messmer, a committee was chosen from across the Conference for the planning and implementing a week-end Laymen's Family Camp this summer. This will be the first such camp for a number of years, and it is hoped that each pastor will encourage at least one family from his church to be in attendance.

Your Director of Adult Work attended the Adult Work Section of the Division of Christian Education of the National Council held in Cincinnati during the month of February. He attended several of the Board of Christian Education meetings, but was compelled to miss some because of illness and funerals to conduct.

Recommendations for Adult Work:

1. The holding of a one-day Men's Congress similar to the past years.
2. The investigation of a possible week-end retreat for men of the Conference.
3. The encouragement of local churches to study their program and facilities in the light of the need of what has been called the Golden Age group of adults.
4. More utilization of the older adults in service to the church.
5. Encourage and seek to promote the more active interest and work of men on behalf of the church both at the local church and district levels.
6. The holding of a week-end Laymen's Family Camp in 1958 to be planned by a committee composed of campers attending the camp planned for August, 1957.
7. Provision for presenting and discussing the adults progarm in our church schools on a district basis.

Respectfully submitted,
MAURICE GRIBLER

Leadership Education

Our main responsibility has been to serve as chairman of the Curriculum Committee. This committee set up the camps at Camp Miami, particularly those for Intermediates and Seniors, and the older Young People. We scheduled the periods, selected the directors and most of the other personnel, and decided on the curricula.

In addition, we urge every church to assume responsibilty for training its workers and potential workers. There are three main types of opportunities in this area: first, there are a number of community schools of leadership education as, for example, in Dayton, Springfield, Middletown and Cincinnati; second, there are churches of our Conference in areas where there are no community schools, but where groups of two or more churches could unite in co-operative schools; third, where neither of these two opportunities are available, a single church or charge could have a leadership training class once or twice a year.

The director would be glad to give assistance in setting up co-operative schools or organizing classes. In any event, such schools or classes are required by the General Board of Christian Education to clear through the Conference director for accreditation.

E. H. HAMMON

Report No. 25

REPORT OF COMMISSION ON EVANGELISM

The Conference Superintendent has reflected the results of our efforts, statistically. No one person or Commission can report the spiritual results of our year's work. Only our Father in Heaven can really know what finally has been accomplished.

Your Commission has tried to carry out the mandates of the Conference as directed through the Committee on Evangelism. We held three meetings since last Conference. We continued our custom of promoting an Evangelism Institute in conjunction with the observance of Evangelism Sunday. The results numerically were a great disappointment. Only 250 attended the meeting at Euclid Avenue Church. The program was on a par with other years, utilizing our best leadership plus Dr. W. R. Montgomery and Dr. C. Willard Fetter from the General Church and Ohio East Conference. Those attending spoke with high regard of the values received.

Dr. Stine, Chairman of our Committee on Evangelism, represented our Commission at Lake Koronis last July and results and suggestions were conveyed to the Commission.

Dr. Stine conducted 2 Workshops on Evangelism. Your Secretary conducted 1 Workshop plus assistance given in one-night meetings in 5 individual churches.

We regret to report that many churches have only name committees on Evangelism, with few real work committees in action. We have noticed continued emphasis on catechetical instruction.

We regret to adivse that only part of our elected members of the Commission are available for counsel due to employment or being out of active work and trust the Conference will see fit to fill our vacancies.

Respectfully submitted,
HARVEY C. HAHN, Sec.
WALTER MIRANDA
LORIN STINE
HARVEY HAMMINK
CLEEVE KLEPINGER

Report No. 26

GROUP INSURANCE

The increased insurance coverage has now been in effect since last September 23. The new certificates, indicating the change, have recently

been mailed to all participants. We emphasize that you are to destroy your old certificates and keep your new one in a place known to both you and your wife.

One death occurred this year, that of J. L. Armstrong, only a short time after his increased coverage became effective. I delivered a check to Mrs. Armstrong in the amount of $5,000.00

New ministers entering the membership and employ of our Conference must become members of this plan. Members of other Conferences serving churches here may avail themselves of this protection. Secure your enrollment cards from me at once.

The first drop or decrease in your coverage on reaching the age of 72 years is from $5,000.00 to $2,000.00.

Respectfully submitted.
DEMI EDWARDS, Secretary

Report No. 27

REPORT FROM INTER-CONFERENCE COUNCIL

W. K. Messmer asked for a clarification of the action concerning retirement aid from the conferences to ministers. It was voted that the action of September 13, 1956 of this Council not be considered retroactive.

The possibility of the four Ohio Conferences employing a state-wide secretary of stewardship was referred to a committee consisting of Bishop Dennis, chairman; Conference Superintendents Messmer, Johnson, Hayes and Mills; and the four Conference Secretaries of Stewardship.

It was voted that recommendations of this Council effecting the policies of the annual conferences and requiring the concurrance of all the four Ohio conferences be voted on in the annual conferences by ballot, and the ballots not becounted or the results annuonced until all the conferences have voted. The Interconference Council shall determine when this method of voting shall be used.

W. K. MESSMER

Report No. 28

REPORT OF MINISTERIAL AID BOARD

Be it resolved:

(Editor's Note: Items 1 - 9 of this report are a restatement of the Standing Resolutions Re-Ministerial Aid fund on page 18 of this Journal.)

10. That the rate of payment for Ministers for the current year be $17 per year of service with a maximum of 30 years service credit.
11. That the following appropriations be made to Minister's Widows:

Mrs. C. W. Andreas	$185.00
Mrs. Calvin McNelly	185.00
Mrs. W. C. Niswonger	185.00
Mrs. E. C. Petry	185.00
Mrs. W. C. Snyder	195.00
Mrs. Lillian Koenig	185.00
Mrs. M. Hirschman	185.00
Mrs. Elias Cross	185.00
Mrs. E. S. Weimer	185.00
Mrs. O. L. Barngrover	65.00
Mrs. S. L. Brill	65.00
Mrs. R. P. Daugherty	65.00
Mrs. H. H. Fout	65.00
Mrs. A. E. Landis	65.00
Mrs. W. E. Smelker	65.00
Mrs. A. C. Witham	65.00
Mrs. Mary Wurtz	65.00
	$2,185.00

12. That the following appropriations be made to Superannuated Ministers:

A. R. Clippinger	$187.00
E. S. Comrey	510.00
A. J. Furstenberger	340.00
Ella Hamilton	510.00
Lewis Ludwick	340.00
George Kopittke	255.00
J. D. Niswander	510.00
J. A. Robinson	170.00
Walter Sinks	510.00
Leroy Smelker	204.00
C. R. Smith	510.00
C. S. Smith	510.00
W. I. Underwood	510.00
O. D. Welbaum	510.00
W. E. Ward	170.00
A. S. Wolfe	340.00
L. M. Hohn	510.00
Leo Venatta	510.00
E. H. Nichols	510.00
	$7,616.00
Total	$9,801.00

J. P. HENDRIX, Chairman
RALPH TINSLEY, Secretary

Report No. 29

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MINISTERIAL TRAINING

The Board of Ministerial Training recommends the following:

1. That Harley Brown, having completed the Second Year Course of reading, be passed to the Third Year.
2. That Kenneth Campbell, a graduate student in Johns Hopkins University, be continued as a Probationer.
3. That Robert Chastain and Raymond Puckett, having Junior rank in the Seminary, be continued as Probationers.
4. That Benjamin Grant, Kenneth Jenkins and Craig South, who will enter United Theological Seminary in September, be continued as Probationers.
5. That David Schneider and Charles Kuhns, who are pursuing their college work, be continued as Probationers.
6. That Robert Hoppe and Charles Ruth, having completed their first year in the Seminary, be continued as Probationers.
7. That Robert Eschbach, Myron Ketron and Harvey Smith, having completed their second year in the Seminary, be continued as Probationers.
8. That Robert Hoover and Roy Schutz, having been graduated from United Theological Seminary, be recommended to the Committee on Conference Relations.
9. That Charles Selby of the Oak Street Church and a graduate from Otterbein College be recommended to the Committee on Conference Relations for Probationer's license.
10. That Sidney Davis, from the Brookville Church and having completed one year in the Seminary, be recomended to the Committee on Conference Relations for Probationer's License.
11. That Ronald Hill of the Liberty Church and Raymond Mers of the Clough Church, students in college, having appeared before the Board, be requested to study further the requirements for a candidate for the ministry. ministry.
12. That the name of Richard VanTine be referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

M. B. KLEPINGER, Secretary

Report No. 30

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS

The following is a summary of the actions of the Conference Board of Missions during the 1956-1957 Conference year:

1. Otterbein Church, Central Group: Plans for the construction of the Educational building as the first unit of the expansion program were approved and the plan of finance for the building amounting to $302,906.00 was approved.

2. Mt. Airy Church, Southwest Group: The Trustees of the Church were authorized to purchase two tracts of land adjoining their present property. One tract being the Schiele property and the second tract from the City of Cincinnati.

3. Residence Park Church, Central Group: It was voted to approve the plans for the building of the basement unit of the new educational building. Authority was granted to the Trustees to borrow up to $41,000.00 to finance this building program.

4. Aley Church, Central Group: The building plans and financial program for the basement unit of the new church building were approved. Estimated cost of the project to be $32,000.00. The architect's plans for the entire new Church and Educational structure were approved.

5. Castine Church, Northwest Group: The Trustees of the Castine Church were authorized to purchase a parsonage for the Church at a cost of $6,500.00. Approval was granted to mortgage the property to assist in the financial program of purchase.

6. Hamilton, First Church, West Group: The Trustees of the Church were authorized to sell the old parsonage and purchase a new parsonage at a cost of $26,000.00. Permission to mortgage the property to finance the project was granted.

7. Bevis, Southwest Group: The Trustees of the Church were authorized to sell the parsonage and hold the money received from the sale in a special fund for the purchase of a new parsonage. The floor plans for a new parsonage were approved and the Trustees were authorized to secure a mortgage loan if necessary to finance the new parsonage building.

8. Jacksonburg, West Group: The purchase of a house and property across from the Church was approved and the Trustees of the Church authorized to mortgage the new property to assist in the purchase plan. Total cost of property to be $13,500.00.

9. Union Chapel, West Group: The preliminary plans to construct an addition to the present Church building were approved and a request made of the Conference Council of Administration for the Conference Trustees to co-sign a loan from a general church institution to assist in the financial program.

10. Wagner Church, Central Group: The preliminary plans for the new Church building to be constructed on the Harshmanville Road site were approved.

11. Drexel Church, Central Group: The Trustees of the Church were authorized to sell the old parsonage for a sum of $9,500.00, the proceeds from this sale to be used in completing payment on the new parsonage.

12. Brookville Church, Northwest Group: It was recommended that the Conference Council of Administration authorize the Conference Board of Trustees to co-sign with the Trustees of the Brookville Church for a note of $4,000.00. Proceds to be used to complete payment and installation of a pipe organ.

13. New Haven, Southwest Group: Approval was granted for the Church to proceed with plans for their program of land expansion.

14. Five Mile Church, Southwest Group: The Board requested the congregation to give favorable consideration to the merging of their congregation with the Cherry Grove Church.

15. Ithaca, Northwest Group: The Trustees of the Church were authorized to sell the old parsonage. The plans for the new parsonage were approved and authority granted to secure a $4,000.00 mortgage to complete financial plans.

16. Belmont, Central Group: The Trustees of the Church were authorized to purchase a home for staff personnel.

17. Fairview, Central Group: The Trustees of the Church were authorized to purchase the property at the southwest corner of Fairview and Rugby Road.

18. First Church, Central Group: Authorization was granted the Trustees of the Church to sell the present parsonage on Grand Ave., Dayton.

19. Southern Hills, Central Group: Plans for remodeling the kitchen, toilets and social rooms of the Church were approved and the plan of finance amounting to $20,000.00 was approved.

20. Pleasant Ridge, West Group: Plans for a new unit and some remodeling to the Church building were approved.

21. New Madison, Northwest Group: The preliminary drawings for a new educational building with basement and one floor above ground were approved with some additional suggestions.

22. College Hill, Southwest Group: The plans for a new educational building were approved. The financial program amounting to $60,000.00 was approved and authority granted to the Trustees of the Church to secure a loan to complete the financial arrangements.

23. Cherry Grove, Southwest Group: The Trustees of the Church were authorized to sell the required footage on the highway to the State Highway Department.

24. 2500 Club: The Superintendent was authorized to revise and reactivate the program of the 2500 Club to assist in the Conference Mission program.

25. Eastmont Church, Central Group: The architect was authorized to proceed with the drawings for the construction of the educational building of the Eastmont Church.

26. Evangelical United Brethren Men: It was voted to acknowledge with appreciation the support and interest of the Men of the Conference in our Conference Missions Program and to request their continued support in the coming Conference year.

27. Budget for 1956-1957: It was voted to request the Committee of Appropriation, Boundary and Finance to designate the amount of $12,725.00 from the Conference budget for Conference Mission purposes.

28. Total Budget for Conference Missions: It was voted to approve the total budget for Conference Missions at $29,525.00 and present the same for approval.

Respectfully submitted,
CARL B. ESCHBACH

Report No. 31

REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY OF THE OTTERBEIN HOME OF OHIO MIAMI CONFERENCE — 1956

I like to think when in my home at night
Away from chilling wind and biting cold,
Maybe some little child or needy one
Has shelter found within the fold,
Because God's helpers gave.

—Author Unknown

It is because "God's helpers" gave that I am able to bring to you this report of the work of the Women's Auxiliary of the Otterbein Home of Ohio Miami Conference.

I am grateful for the cooperation of the ministers, the key women of each church, and the personnel of the Home, for without the combined interest of all the support of the Home would suffer.

The Christmas offering for the Home support increases year by year and Ohio Miami Conference members are as generous as other supporting Conferences. As a Conference we reached the goal of $1.00 per member, but some churches gave a great deal more than $1.00 per member thus helping to raise the total giving. Again this year Otterbein Home had the highest per-capita giving, Union City and Harrison tied for second, with Eastmont being third highest. We congratulate these churches and their leaders for their fine record.

The project chosen by the Auxiliary for the year 1956, tile for the living room and hall in the Intermediate Girls' Cottage, tile for hall and bath in the Sunbeam Cottage and support of the Student Fund has been completed, totaling $806.00. This giving is over and above the Annual Christmas Offering which is the first and primary interest of the Auxiliary.

We are very happy to report that three students received aid toward their higher education from the Student Fund and that in the fall one of the students will enter the Seminary in preparation for the ministry of the Church. Students receiving aid have to meet high scholastic standards, have good moral character, be a leader and cooperate both at the Home and at school. The Auxiliary is happy to have a part in the preparation of future leaders of the church and community.

The number of copies of the Otterbein Home News published has increased and some of the credit must be given the key-women, working with the pastors, for their interest in making sure that a correct and up-to-date mailing list from their church is on record at the Home. This publication is a means of creating interest in the Otterbein Home throughout the year, thus making the promotion of the Christmas Offering a natural part of the work of the Church.

The film strip and recording will again be available for showing in the local churches of the Conference and can be scheduled through the Auxiliary President. This film strip was shown in a number of the churches last year and it is hoped that many more will endeavor to use this means of promotion.

A number of church groups visited the Home last year and it is hoped that others will do so in the future, thus giving members the privilege of meeting those of the Home family and seeing for themselves the program that they are helping to suport. It is requested, that if you have a large group planning to visit, that the Home be notified in advance so that the proper plans can be made to conduct the group through the buildings.

For the past four years, there has been on the list of needs that is presented to the National Auxiliary, the awnings for the Good Samaritan Building porches. This year the Auxiliary of Ohio Miami Conference will endeavor to supply this need along with the support of the Student Fund. The contract for the awning installation has not as yet been granted, so the exact cost of installation is not known, but it is known that the amount will not exceed $675.00 for awnings on both the upstair and downstair porches. We are sure that with the completion of this project the older members of the Home will be able to enjoy the use of the porches to a greater extent than before.

It is with the deepest gratitude to the pastors of this Conference, the women of the churches and those of the Home for their continued interest and helpfulness, so we again pledge our loyalty to our Risen Lord, Our Church and our Otterbein Home and will press forward with renewed interest.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. VICTOR BURKETT
Conference President

Report No. 32

STUDENT WORK IN OHIO — 1956-57

Report of the Minister to Students in Ohio
(Excerpts)

We are happy to report a successful year for E.U.B. Student Work in Ohio during 1956-57. There has been progress at every stage of our denomination's involvement in this ministry.

E.U.B. STUDENT CENTER AT OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

We received a list of 435 students who indicated E.U.B. preference and the Minister to Students was able to personally contact about 175 of these. It is clear that contact by the Minister is not enough to interest students in the weekly activities of our student center program and in the future we plan to push student visitation more. Our activities during the year included Sunday morning Student Class, Sunday evening fellowship suppers and programs, Bible study, mid-week Vespers, social events, and retreats. Happily the greatest growth came in the area of worship and spiritual life and we witnessed

a doubling attendance in midweek Vespers since this phase of our program was initiated a year ago. Students have recently contributed time and money to procure a cross and candlesticks, lecturn, communion service, and offering plates to help make worship in the student center more effective. In no way are we trying to set up a separate church but simply trying to have worship experiences that are meaningful and effective in the midst of campus living. On the campus we participate cooperatively with other student religious groups to provide a more unified Protestant witness. Your Minister to Students and an E.U.B. student were co-chairmen of this group during the past year.

E.U.B. STUDENT WORK AROUND THE STATE

Kent State University United Christian Fellowship has just purchased a neighboring house and is having it moved to their property as a larger and better located student center. The program is prospering well and we are sorry to lose the services of the Rev. William Laurie as Director.

Bowling Green State University United Christian Fellowship is currently engaged in a fund-raising drive to build a more adequate student center. The program of this UCF is diverse and needs better facilities. The help of our Church is needed in this fund-raising campaign. The Rev. Paul Bock continues as the able Director and a new associate will be employed.

Miami University-Western College United Christian Fellowship has grown so consistently that this year the first full-time Minister of Students was employed. Progress has continued and a new student center had to be secured to house the rapidly expanding program. We shall again have the Rev. Lodwick serving as Minister during the coming year.

Ohio Ecumenical Student Council is the state organization in which our denomination participates. One of our E.U.B. students at Ohio State has just been elected to serve as president for the next year.

THE GROWING AGE

During the year 1956-57 there has been a steady increase in interest among E.U.B. students in the Church's ministry to them. The first denominational student retreat in the history of our Church was held this year at Camp Miami, another is planned for next year. Student interest in the E.U.B. quadrennial student conference at Christmas-time is already evident.

In central Ohio closer ties have been established between the E.U.B. student center at Ohio State and the religious groups at Otterbein College. Your Minister to Students is working with Chaplain Lederman to encourage more such activity.

The local E.U.B. church at Athens, Ohio. reports that it has increased its ministry to our students at Ohio University and more students are becoming related to that congregation.

At the University of Akron there is an effort being made to start a United Christian Fellowship. Our denomination is participating in the planning of this work and we look to its inception in the not too-distant future

In light of these growing edges and of the steady growth of student work at the already established centers in state universities it is becoming essential that our denomination find some more adequate way to reach the hundreds and even thousands of E.U.B. students who are outside our denominational schools and who are not ministered to in the name of our Church. In an effort to find a way to do this our national Board of Christian Education has agreed to enter negotiations for a merger of several student Christian movements from various denominations (Presbyterian U.S.A., Congregational-Christian and Evangelical and Reformed, Disciples of Christ, Methodist). As negotiators we are seeking to discover of this united pattern can more adequately reach more of our E.U.B. students where they are on the numerous campuses of our nation.

Respectfully submitted,
DONALD K. GORRELL,
Minister to Students in Ohio

Report No. 33

REPORT OF THE TOWN AND COUNTRY COMMISSION

It has been the policy of the Town and Country Commission to be always available to churches for surveys, conferences and studies of the local community. We wish that pastors and local churches would more often avail themselves of this service.

We believe that one of the greatest services that we render to the rural churches and pastors is our program of sending as many pastors as possible to the annual National Convocation of Town and Country Church Workers. During the past year we made it possible for eight pastors to attend the Convocation at St. Louis. We hope to be able to send even more to the Convocation at Green Lake, Wisconsin this Fall. It is our conviction that this fellowship with Rural Church leaders of all Denominations is one of the finest experiences that can come to a Rural Pastor and we hope to continue to serve in this way.

We urge all pastors to attend the Denomination-wide Conference on the Church and Community to be held in Dayton, October 8-11. This Conference is sponsored by the Commissions on Urban Church, Town and Country Church and Christian Social Action.

We propose to conduct at least two Town and Country Institutes within the Conference during the coming year, locating the sessions in areas that seem most strictly rural and listing for each Institute the churches which we are inviting to participate.

Respectfully submitted,
IVAN JENKINS
GEORGE DUCKWALL
CHARLES FRYMAN
HOWARD HAHN
CHARLES MESSMER
JOE HENDRIX

Report No. 34

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

1. The Board of Trustees approved the appropriate actions in connection with requests from the Conference Board of Missions for the sale, purchase or mortgaging of Church property.
2. The Conference Superintendent was authorized to purchase an electric typewriter and an A. B. Dick electric mimeograph for use in the Conference office.
3. Repairs on the Conference Manse were authorized.
4. The request of the Dayton Power and Light Company to construct electrical lines across a section of our property at Camp Miami was not approved.
5. The sale of Moore's Fork Church to the Calvary Baptist Church, Blanchester, Ohio, was approved.

Respectfully submitted,
CARL B. ESCHBACH

Report No. 35

REPORT OF THE URBAN CHURCH COMMISSION

The Urban Church Commission is responsible for improving and enriching urban life through the churches and assisting in solving Urban Church problems.

In October 1956 the Commission sponsored a conference among churches in the Southwest District to study Urban developments in Greater Cincinnati. This conference was held in the Clifton Church and resulted in several general recommendations toward goals in evangelism, stewardship and a broadened ministry to the community.

Specific recommendations were as follows:

1. Explore the possibility of merging Bevis and Dunlap and relocate the church on a larger plot of ground.
2. Explore the trends at Hyde Park. Whether to remain at the present location or relocate two or more miles northeast in a larger area should be carefully studied.
3. Study the future of Willey Memorial. If impossible to form an interracial congregation, then we recommend consideration of a church ministering primarily to the Negro population.
4. Consider the Forrest Park area, formerly North Green Hills, as a location for a new congregation within the next five years.

The Commission participated in the third annual dinner of Urban Churches at the Ohio Pastors' Convention in January.

The magazine, "The City Church," published by the National Council of of Churches is now distributed to nineteen Urban Pastors.

The Commission has paid one-half the tuition cost for the Rev. Richard Miller who has enrolled in the Summer School of Pastoral Care in the Miami Valley Hospital in Dayton.

There are numerous opportunities for the establishment of missions within the bounds of our Conference. All these must await sufficient funds. at the same time the commission is aware of urgent need among several churches long established for financial help to adequately serve their respective communities.

MURN B. KLEPINGER, Chairman
Urban Church Commission

Report No. 36

REPORT OF WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

UNITED THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

June 12, 1957

I am very glad to submit to you this twenty-fourth annual report of the United Theological Seminary Auxiliary. Ohio-Miami Conference maintains third place in contributing to the Auxiliary with a total giving of $1,089.50, which is an increase over last year of $307.80. Total giving of the Auxiliary by all Conferences was $10,563.12. This is the largest amount of money ever received from the Conferences.

During the past year more than $7,000 was used for rubber tile on third floor of the dormitory, furniture for the guest room ,new beds and mattresses, screens for dormitory windows (a two-year project), wall electric oven in the kitchen, paint and labor, plastering and fixing showers, printing and stationery.

We are proud of the achievements of the Auxiliary over the years. We feel there will be an even greater need during the next few years due to the new dormitory and other expansions caused by an increased enrollment.

Even though our Conference is in third place, we are far below in our contributions as compared with our friends in the Pennsylvania Area. Funds collected by the Auxiliary are gathered in a quiet and unobtrusive manner. We do not press for huge offerings from any one person, but depend on small gifts from *all* the women in *all* our churches. We solicit the help of all the pastors in seeing that every church in the Conference has a key woman and every church participates in an offering for the Auxiliary. The Treasurer's report will show the result in each area this past year.

The projects for the new year, 1957-58, are as follows:

1. Replacing the old beds with new beds and mattresses for Fout Hall	$ 200.00
2. Replacing the old double-decker beds with new double-deckers in Fout Hall	1,200.00
3. Purchase and installation of new screens, 245 at $7.00 each	1,715.00
4. Paint for rooms — labor by students	500.00

5.	Plastering in bathrooms	150.00
6.	Repair and painting of lower hallway under the front steps	400.00
7.	Fixing bath showers (6 at $90.00 each)	540.00
8.	Painting showers	100.00
9.	Fluorescent lights for dining hall	1,100.00
10.	Patch-painting of some of walls in basement and hallway	200.00
11.	Redecorate 3 or 4 suites of rooms in Fout Hall	320.00
12.	Replacing of double sink in kitchen	200.00
13.	Promotion, printing and envelopes	700.00
	Total	$7,325.00

Fifty percent of all funds collected will continue to be set aside for the new dormitory.

We want to thank all who have helped make this such a successful year for the Auxiliary. Each one who has given has the proud satisfaction of knowing they helped make life more comfortable, enjoyable, and meaningful for the future ministers and their families of our denomination.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. F. W. MEVIS, President

Report No. 37

1349 Cornell Drive
Dayton, Ohio
June 7, 1957

The Board of Trustees of
Miami Conference of
The Evangelical United Brethren Church

Gentlemen:

I hereby resign my office as Trustee, effective immediately.

Yours very truly,
CHARLES E. MARTIN

Report No. 38

SPECIAL RESOLUTION

Since Camp Miami has become, in an increasing manner, the center for Conference activities entertaining annual Conference, the Branch Convention and numerous institutes as well as our greatly expanding camping program, and

Whereas,

to do these jobs more efficiently and adequately we need better facilities, and

Whereas,

the time has expired for the present Camp Miami Improvement Fund, and

Whereas,

we have many projects yet to be completed including the building of a swimming pool, the rehabilitation of our electrical services, the installation of additional plumbing and heating facilities, the further development of driveways and parking areas, the development of an outdoor camping program, the development of a picnic area and other items of equipment, and

Whereas,

it is impossible to realize the necessary monies for any of these projects from our operational income, and

Whereas,

we have always looked to our churches for this kind of support.

Now therefore,

We recomend that we establish on a continuing basis the Camp Miami Improvement Fund and that churches be assigned quotas through the Sunday School at the rate of $1.00 per year per average attendance. This figure each year shall be determined on the average attendance at Sunday School for the

year just closed. This sum shall be paid annually during the Conference year. Any church feeling the need of special consideration will make such a request and meet with a review committee which shall be established for that purpose.

CHARLES C. MESSMER
for
The Board of Christian Education

Report No. 39

SPECIAL RESOLUTION

I move that the Committee on Christian Social Action prepare a memorial to the next session of the General Conference to consider the employing of a full-time director of Christian Social Action for our denomination.

J. MAURICE PARSONS

Report No. 40

RESOLUTION

Whereas The Hymnal Commission of our Church has completed its work and produced a Hymnal of outstanding beauty and usability we go on record as urging our churches to buy and use this Hymnal in their worship services as soon as practicable.

That we commend the Commission "summa cum laude" for their devotion and ability. They have given us a Hymnal which will proudly take its place with the great hymnals of Christendom, ancient and modern.

ROBERT COPELAND

Report No. 41

RESOLUTION

Be it Resolved:

That the Board of Trustees of the Ohio Miami Conference, through the Conference Council of Administration, be hereby authorized to negotiate and complete arrangements for such loans as may be available for the purposes of Conference Church Extension Program.

CARL B. ESCHBACH
Secretary

Statistical Report

Northwest Group

West Group

Average Attendance		
Sunday Morning Worship Service	Sunday Evening Worship Service	Mid-Week Worship Service
48	.....	.....
54	.....	.....
219	.....	.....
200	48	35
79	.....	7
193	.....	.....
63	.....	.....
157	.....	.....
115	11	5
61	.....	.....
218	.....	30
160	.....	15
125	.....	.....
93	.....	.....
64	.....	.....
133	.....	.....
53	.....	.....
57	.....	.....
157	42	3
98	39	9
47	.....	.....
86	.....	.....
22	.....	.....
42	.....	.....
46	.....	.....
35	.....	.....
149	33	24
116	48	16
122	.....	.....
50	.....	.....
22	.....	.....
58	.....	.....
30	.....	.....
172	**221**	**144**
154	.....	14
238	.....	.....
49	19	9
330	.....	.....
100	.....	40
63	.....	.....
83	.....	14
94	.....	.....
69	.....	.....
291	.....	.....
54	.....	11
32	.....	.....
227	155	77
111	.....	.....
78	.....	.....
85	20	12
91	12	12
33	.....	6
22	.....	.....
204	**206**	**195**

Average Attendance at Sunday School	Officers and Teachers	Enrollment in Sunday Schools								Enrolled in Daily Vacation Church Schools	Enrolled in Week Day Church Schools	Enrolled in Leadership Education Courses	Enrolled in Catechetical and/or Pastor's Classes	Enrolled in Fellowships				
		Nursery	Beginners	Primary	Juniors	Young People	Adults	Home Department	Total Enrolled in Sunday School					Adult	Young Adult	Youth	Boys and Girls	Total Enrolled in Fellowships
48	6	2	2	4	12	19	34	9	88							19		19
54	18		12	15	14	14	50		123							14		14
201	19	44	29	45	37	104	169	5	452	5	10	7		77		104		181
297	41	40	43	65	60	70	241	16	576		38							
98	20	7	11	16	18	25	57		154							23		23
217	24	32	31	48	52	48	130		365	73		10	12	149	55	48	30	282
98	10		34	13	12	29	74	5	177				10					
134	28	10	15	34	42	98	101		328			3	50			78		78
131	20	16	17	13	13	19	66	10	174	25		6	9			20	30	50
77	22	26	12	16	15	15	54		160				18			15		15
251	26	31	10	43	37	47	208	20	422	36	72	3	8	100	50	50	50	250
175	22	20	12	25	18	63	86	4	250	59	13	3	22			18		18
149	16	13	18	30	23	48	123	13	284	62			18			40	12	52
91	10		11	17	15	23	63		139							22		22
84	13	25	14	14	5	14	70		155							17		17
201	17	25	42	56	50	55	90	3	338	137			20			55		55
53	11	3	9	6	8	21	66	6	130		4							
59	8		12	6	13	10	46		95		9							
211	36	48	26	39	44	64	149	6	412	82	40	17	6			64		64
122	16	20	18	24	30	26	115		249	50	15	5				20		20
53	8	35	20		27	14	70		174	55		2				22		22
121	18	14	23	21	24	30	55		185			11	15		20	34		54
27	8	4			9	7	18	3	49	9			11					
41	15		10		10	5	22		62			2	4					
57	11	9	8	6		24	28		86	7		2						
38	18	4	4	6	2	9	18		61			1	11					
226	20	21	19	56	49	75	218		458	36	53				18			18
135	21	13	11	17	18	28	130	8	246	105		4	18			16	12	28
129	25	5	15	24	25	15	57	5	171				13			30		30
56	14	3	14	12	11	7	60		121	54	10	6	2			10		10
35	6	6		12	11	11	22		68	15						12		12
86	14		10	12	16	26	54	8	140				5			26		26
62.	10	5	12	10	20	12	42	1	112									
3817	**571**	**481**	**524**	**705**	**740**	**1075**	**2786**	**122**	**7004**	**810**	**264**	**82**	**252**	**326**	**143**	**757**	**134**	**1360**
214	19	25	12	22	28	39	223	12	380	63			18					
233	24	28	35	55	40	60	100	9	351	70						20		20
63	6		10	20	5	10	42		93									
269	26	48	69	70	58	39	166	12	488	80	6	20	11	70		50		120
132	22		17	15	24	36	39	10	163	2						20		20
91	16	10	10	28	27	23	31		145	50			24			25	5	30
84	13	15	10	10	10	20	30		108							25		25
96	13	15	12	18	22	16	62		158				12				12	12
49	12		10	12	16	19	19		88									
331	36	29	28	50	54	73	335		605	110		11	18			50	30	80
88	16	15	18	19	14	16	63		161				17					
43	5	8	12	12	8	10	15		70							26		26
150	15		11	19	44	18	80	13	200	69						30	30	60
98	14	11	10	27	23	34	88		207	34			12			16		16
98	12		22	28	17	30	80	5	194	24							16	16
65	18	14	10	12	18	23	26	7	128	65			18	25	32	9	26	92
114	11		29	38	22	35	50		185	75				75		30		105
36	6		43			11	41		101									
46	14			18	8	16	8		64									
2300	**298**	**218**	**368**	**473**	**438**	**528**	**1498**	**68**	**3889**	**642**	**6**	**31**	**130**	**170**	**32**	**301**	**119**	**622**

I MINISTRY AND CHARGES			II CHRISTIAN LIFE AND WORK																						
				Gained by				Lost by														Average Attendance		
CHARGE	CHURCH	PASTOR	Members Reported at close of Last Year	Confession of Faith	Certificate of Transfer	Certificate of Membership	Total Gain	Death	Certificate of Transfer	Certificate of Membership	Withdrawn without Certificate	Other Ways	Total Loss	Net Gain	Net Loss	Present Membership	Non-resident Members	Members Under 13 Years of Age	Conversions	Reclamations	Baptisms (All Ages)	Number of Enrolled Tithers	Sunday Morning Worship Service	Sunday Evening Worship Service	Mid-Week Worship Service
NORTHWEST GROUP																									
1 Abbotsville—	Abbotsville	Bernard J. Varner	90	4			4	1		2			3	1		91	5	3				3	48		
2 Caylor Chapel	Caylor Chapel	Bernard J. Varner	110			1	1	2		1			3		2	108	14					8	54		
3 Antioch	Antioch	William D. Worth	478	16	10	21	47		6	5		1	12	35		513	49	7	2		19	20	219		
4 Arcanum	Arcanum	Herbert Dymale	409	1		4	5	6	3	2			11		6	403	35	70	4		6		200	48	35
5 Arlington	Arlington	Keith E. Day	223		8	2	10	4	3		2		9	1		224	17	3				12	79		7
6 Brookville	Brookville	Walter W. Arnold	480	38	7	14	59	8	3	1	2	2	16	43		523	65	17	38	1	21		193		
7 Castine	Castine	Lowell D. Bassett	109	5			5	2					2	3		112	10		5				63		
8 Clayton	Clayton	Robert Copeland	387	9	3	6	18	2	14	6	4		26		8	379	10	3			6	29	157		
9 Eaton	Eaton	Julian H. Shrader	163	15	2	2	19	1	4	1			6	13		176	29		14	1	9	7	115	11	5
10 Eldorado	Eldorado	Robert E. Stauffer	152	7		1	8	1	3				4	4		156	53	1	7		7		61		
11 Greenville	Greenville	Demi Edwards	536	13	11		24	6		6			12	12		548	56		13		9		218		30
12 Ithaca	Ithaca	Lee A. Cate	229	25	11	2	38		2				2	36		265	34	5	26	2	23		160		15
13 Lewisburg	Lewisburg	Kannel I. Ireland	301	19	9	2	30	2		8	2		12	18		319	30		19		21		125		
14 Nashville	Nashville	Robert E. Dille	155	1			1		3	2		2	7		6	149	19		1		1	2	93		
15 New Hope	New Hope	Sidney E. Davis	162		2		2		4	3	29		36		34	128	14	2				6	64		
16 New Madison	New Madison	Frank E. Robinson	382	5	1	5	11	2	5	5	13		25		14	368	28	8	5		19	8	133		
17 Otterbein—	Otterbein	James H. Riley	159	2	2		4	3	8	1			12		8	151	20	3			2	7	53		
18 Savona	Savona	James H. Riley	111					3	3	3	1	2	12		12	99	14	2			1	4	57		
19 Phillipsburg	Phillipsburg	Howard R. James	281	5	1	6	12	4	2	3	7		16		4	277	23	3	5	3	12	14	157	42	3
20 Potsdam—	Potsdam	Harley D. Brown	195	6			6	2		6		7	15		9	186	46		6		18	7	98	39	9
21 West Sonora	West Sonora	Harley D. Brown	87	3	4		7	1	1				2	5		92	30		3	2	9	2	47		
22 Pyrmont	Pyrmont	Max E. Nuscher	138	16	1		17	3		4			7	10		148	19	7			18		86		
23 Rossburg Circuit	Rossburg	Gerald J. Stutzman	32	3	2		5	1		1			2	3		35	8	3	4				22		
24	Hiestand	Gerald J. Stutzman	71	2	4		6	2		2			4	2		73	25		2		6		42		
25	Rose Hill	Gerald J. Stutzman	82	4			4	1	2	1			4			82	20		5		5		46		
26	Yorkshire	Gerald J. Stutzman	47			2	2	1		1			2			47	2						35		
27 Union City	Union City	Clarence S. Smith	580	16	1	1	18	7	1	4	3	3	18			580	45	2	12	3	24	43	149	33	24
28 Verona	Verona	Ivan E. Jenkins	308	13	2		15	4	2	9	2		17		2	306	60	7	12	1	14	4	116	48	16
29 Ware's Chapel	Ware's Chapel	Wayne Stine	182	14	1	2	17	3	1				4	13		195	26	12	14	2	11	16	122		
30 Waterhouse	Waterhouse	A. R. Walker	111	9	2	2	13			1	6		7	6		117	12				2		50		
31 Weaver Station	Weaver Station	George A. Rodgers	54					1					1		1	53	15						22		
32 West Manchester	West Manchester	John W Russell	168	2		3	5	3	10	4	9	30	56		51	117	33	2			8		58		
33 Yankeetown	Yankeetown	Charles F. Ruth	90		5		5	1	1	2	2		6		1	89	14	2					30		
Totals Northwest Group			7062	253	89	76	418	77	81	84	82	47	371	418 *47	371	7109	880	162	197	15	277	192	3172	221	144
WEST GROUP																									
34 Farmersville	Farmersville	Richard A. Miller	388	3		2	5	4		4			8		3	385	77				9		154		14
35 Germantown	Germantown	John W. Bench	492	11	5	11	27	5	3	2	6	1	17	10		502	45		10	1	11		238		
36 Greenbush	Greenbush	Jack Edwin Six	69	2			2		2			1	3		1	68	19			1		3	49	19	9
37 Hamilton First	Hamilton First	John A. Clippinger	759	41	9	13	63	3	3	4	17		27	36		795	54	50			32	25	330		
38 Hamilton Ninth St.	Hamilton Ninth St.	Olin Feagin	260	5	1		6	2	1	3			6			260		9	5		4		100		40
39 Hamilton St. Mark	Hamilton St. Mark	Dana Heaton	50	12	8	2	22		7				7	15		65				7	2	3	63		
40 Jacksonburg	Jacksonburg	Robert L. Chastain	159	3	1	8	12	1		1			2	10		169	10	12			5	2	83		14
41 Johnsville	Johnsville	Thomas E. Adams	192	1	5	2	8	1		8		3	12		4	188	39	3	5		9		94		
42 Maple Park	Maple Park	Henry P. Snapp	87	4	1		5			2			2	3		90	23	6	4		3	22	69		
43 Middletown	Middletown	E. H. Hammon	1053	25	1	6	32	10	5	8	8		31	1		1054	174	16	25		23		291		
44 Millville	Millville	G. W. Duckwall	119	18	1	5	24	2		4			6	18		137	29	9	16	6	10		54		11
45 Oregonia	Oregonia	Harrison O. Anderson	57	7	3		10	1		2			3	7		64	27	1			7		32		
46 Otterbein Home	Otterbein Home	Paul E. Chastain	160	11	14		15	8	1	1			10	5		165	20		11		18		227	155	77
47 Pleasant Ridge	Pleasant Ridge	William I. Comfort	272	17			17			3	1		4	13		285	18	19	17		20	2	111		
48 Springboro	Springboro	Myron Ketron	137	5	2	3	10	1		3			4	6		143	8	1			10		78		
49 State Road	State Road	Edward L. Vounken	127	3		4	7		4		1		5	2		129	26		3	1	9		85	20	12
50 Union Chapel	Union Chapel	Frances G. Huber	129	13	3		16		1	4		12	17		1	128	18	8	15	5	11	15	91	12	12
51 Utica	Utica	B. R. Templeton	72	1			1				12		12		11	61	13	4			3		33		6
52 West Elkton	West Elkton	Henry P. Snapp	122					1	1	1	7		10		10	112	33	3			1	4	22		
Totals West Group			4704	172	54	56	282	39	28	50	52	17	186	126 *96	30	4800	633	141	118	16	188	73	2204	206	195

Average Attendance at Sunday School	Officers and Teachers	Enrollment in Sunday Schools								Enrolled in Daily Vacation Church Schools	Enrolled in Week Day Church Schools	Enrolled in Leadership Education Courses	Enrolled in Catechetical and /or Pastor's Classes	Enrolled in Fellowships				
		Nursery	Beginners	Primary	Juniors	Young People	Adults	Home Department	Total Enrolled in Sunday School					Adult	Young Adult	Youth	Boys and Girls	Total Enrolled in Fellowships
48	6	2	2	4	12	19	34	9	88							19		19
54	18		12	15	14	14	50		123							14		14
201	19	44	29	45	37	104	169	5	452	5	10	7		77		104		181
297	41	40	43	65	60	70	241	16	576		38							
98	20	7	11	16	18	25	57		154							23		23
217	24	32	31	48	52	48	130		365	73		10	12	149	55	48	30	282
98	10		34	13	12	29	74	5	177				10					
134	28	10	15	34	42	98	101		328			3	50			78		78
131	20	16	17	13	13	19	66	10	174	25		6	9			20	30	50
77	22	26	12	16	15	15	54		160				18			15		15
251	26	31	10	43	37	47	208	20	422	36	72	3	8	100	50	50	50	250
175	22	20	12	25	18	63	86	4	250	59	13	3	22			18		18
149	16	13	18	30	23	48	123	13	284	62			18			40	12	52
91	10		11	17	15	23	63		139							22		22
84	13	25	14	14	5	14	70		155							17		17
201	17	25	42	56	50	55	90	3	338	137			20			55		55
53	11	3	9	6	8	21	66	6	130		4							
59	8		12	6	13	10	46		95		9							
211	36	48	26	39	44	64	149	6	412	82	40	17	6			64		64
122	16	20	18	24	30	26	115		249	50	15	5				20		20
53	8	35	20		27	14	70		174	55		2				22		22
121	18	14	23	21	24	30	55		185			11	15		20	34		54
27	8	4			9	7	18	3	49	9			11					
41	15		10		10	5	22		62			2	4					
57	11	9	8	6		24	28		86	7		2						
38	18	4	4	6	2	9	18		61			1	11					
226	20	21	19	56	49	75	218		458	36	53				18			18
135	21	13	11	17	18	28	130	8	246	105		4	18			16	12	28
129	25	5	15	24	25	15	57	5	171				13			30		30
56	14	3	14	12	11	7	60		121	54	10	6	2			10		10
35	6	6		12	11	11	22		68	15						12		12
86	14		10	12	16	26	54	8	140				5			26		26
62.	10	5	12	10	20	12	42	1	112									
3817	571	481	524	705	740	1075	2786	122	7004	810	264	82	252	326	143	757	134	1360
214	19	25	12	22	28	39	223	12	380	63			18					
233	24	28	35	55	40	60	100	9	351	70						20		20
63	6		10	20	5	10	42		93									
269	26	48	69	70	58	39	166	12	488	80	6	20	11	70		50		120
132	27		17	15	24	36	39	10	163	2						20		20
91	16	10	10	28	27	23	31		145	50			24			25	5	30
84	13	15	10	10	10	20	30		108							25		25
96	13	15	12	18	22	16	62		158				12				12	12
49	12		10	12	16	19	19		88									
331	36	29	28	50	54	73	335		605	110		11	18			50	30	80
88	16	15	18	19	14	16	63		161				17					
43	5	8	12	12	8	10	15		70							26		26
150	15		11	19	44	18	80	13	200	69						30	30	60
98	14	11	10	27	23	34	88		207	34			12			16		16
98	12		22	28	17	30	80	5	194	24							16	16
65	18	14	10	12	18	23	26	7	128	65			18	25	32	9	26	92
114	11		29	38	22	35	50		185	75				75		30		105
36	6		43			11	41		101									
46	14			18	8	16	8		64									
2300	298	218	368	473	438	528	1498	68	3889	642	6	31	130	170	32	301	119	622

III
FINANCES

Enrolled in Brotherhoods	Enrolled in Wom. Organs.				Number Attending EUB Colleges	Number Attending Other Colleges and Universities	Telescope-Messenger	A. MISSIONS AND BENEVOLENCES										
										Missions - Benev. Cont. Not in Budget								
	W.S.W.S.	Ladies' Aid	Christian Service Guild	Total Enrollment in Women's Organ.				Missions and Benev. Budget Apportionment	Paid on Missions and Benevolence Budget Apportionment	W.S.W.S., C.S.G. and Children's Miss. Contributions	Youth Fellowship WS Contributions	Misc. Missions: Denominational	Misc. Missions: Non-Den'inational	Misc. Benevolence: Denominational	Misc. Benevolence: Non-Den'inational & Con. Interests	Homes and Orphanages	Paid on General Board of Pensions Apportionment
	16			16		3	4	264	264				17	17		22	7
	12		14	26			3	384	384	118			9	226		47	6
	57			57	1	6	7	1200	900	1129	44		68	599	10	75	403
	51		20	71	1	7	24	1800	1800	570	77	738	173	817			258
	17			17		1	4	624	676			300				187	
	56		18	74	6	17	65	1248	1248	807	64	84		163		323	240
	22			22			7	468	468	128		9	11	35		118	
	29			29	1	2	2	1068	1068	195		185		142	283	400	33
	20			20	1		4	552	552	176				667	12	41	
	21	25		46		2		480	440	113	10	54		268	11	87	168
65	60	56	30	146	1	15	17	1512	1512	619	65			326	277	530	250
	38			38	1	5	7	900	900	79	38		25			311	270
28	38			38	1	2		972	972		12	36	51		32	102	165
	12	29		41				456	456	48			175	24			
		38		38				480	480	10	9	183	90			102	
	48			48		5	3	1200	1100	264	58	20		18	179	382	
	35			35		2	1	456	456	133		7		15	20	81	115
		30		30			2	336	336			8		116	30	111	205
18	73			73	2	3	10	1200	1362	510	39	210	37	1110	50	396	225
	15			15		3	5	600	600	455		28				405	132
								252	252			100		100	50	92	84
	26			26		1	4	504	504		3	48	23	400	20	159	
							5	96	96			15		45		27	
						1	8	192	96				75	80		113	
		17		17		1	7	300	300			30		60	100	60	51
							2	156	117			11		40		24	
22	35	42	16	93	1	4	6	1560	1560	660	25	1000		1387	188	1950	250
10	30			30	1	1	5	900	900	456	28	171	168	295	167	332	222
	27			27		4		612	714	123			27	55	10	40	
		30		30		1	4	360	330			275	23	72	90	41	93
		23		23				192	192			10		53	35	62	
		27		27			5	492	492			11		289	6	145	28
	12	15		27				288	288	54		15		9		33	47
143	**750**	**332**	**98**	**1180**	**17**	**86**	**211**	**22104**	**21815**	**6547**	**472**	**3548**	**972**	**7428**	**1570**	**6798**	**3242**
	19	35	35	89		6	14	1140	1140	528				297	149	615	240
	47		45	92	2	5	7	1728	1800	800		450		250	627	565	256
		39		39				228	228					87		45	
35	33	40	54	127		10	46	1788	1800	1273	38	600		200	235	965	360
16	32			32		3	4	828	828	192				36	60	355	216
	15			15		3	3	192	192	82					10	60	
	21			21		1	3	432	432	92						110	120
14	37	32		69		2	18	672	429	178		13	17	62	50	58	108
	12			12				396	240							165	168
	75	30		105	2	14	15	2592	2592	848	201	521	100	683	783	1200	300
	17	29		46		1	4	516	516	267			21	22		134	168
		25		25			3	204	204			15		50		49	
45	66			66	2	1	13	1104	1104	949		157	149	262		915	505
						3	1	588	588	97		37	47	417		100	240
		30		30	1	2	3	456	397							137	
	6			6		2	4	408	288	77	21			257		94	93
	30			30				624	624	255	26	375		24	20	143	108
		22		22			2	216	252					28		65	
	12	26		38		3	1	300	180	23	1		7			22	72
110	**422**	**308**	**134**	**864**	**7**	**56**	**141**	**14412**	**13834**	**5661**	**287**	**2168**	**341**	**2675**	**1934**	**5797**	**2954**

Extra Contrib. for E.U.B. Colleges, Seminaries and Church Extension	Total Missions and Benev. Contrib. Not in Budget Apportionment	Total for Missions and Benevolence	B. LOCAL EXPENDITURES: Ministers' Cash Salary Paid by Local Churches	Value of Parsonage Rentals	Ministers' Expense Allowance	Received from Appropriations	Total Support of Ministers	Other Current Expense Including Maintenance Congregational	Sunday S., Vacation and Week-day School and Fellowship Exp.	Brotherhood Exp.	W.S.W.S. and Christian Service Guild Exp.	Ladies' Aid Society Expenditures	Paid on Indebtedness this Year
.....	63	327	1300	180	.....	.....	1480	340	443	.....	56	.....	.....
.....	406	790	1600	150	.....	.....	1750	484	505	.....	105	.....	.....
156	2384	3284	3900	1200	442	.....	5542	5918	1710	.....	1311	.....	4730
1281	3914	5714	4300	600	.....	.....	4900	.....	541	65	107	.....	.....
480	967	1643	2280	480	120	.....	2880	1405	722	.....	.....	.....	.....
700	2381	3629	4000	960	500	.....	5460	5869	968	.....	266	.....	12900
170	471	939	2050	495	.....	.....	2545	1091	697	.....	45	.....	225
600	1838	2906	3600	800	600	.....	5000	5245	649	.....	75	.....	600
.....	896	1448	2600	520	480	.....	3600	1024	1201	.....	40	.....	.....
.....	711	1151	2800	300	.....	.....	3100	820	615	25	37	219	200
850	2917	4429	4160	600	600	.....	5360	4361	1750	1530	90	188	.....
500	1223	2123	3000	420	300	.....	3720	3078	1141	.....	304	.....	.....
117	515	1487	3640	480	260	.....	4380	2286	956	4	62	.....	4200
.....	247	703	2600	480	.....	.....	3080	.....	.....	.....	67	24	.....
550	944	1424	2965	480	.....	.....	3445	544	961	.....	.....	188	1290
625	1546	2646	3900	600	300	.....	4800	5145	1429	.....	289	.....	.....
.....	361	817	1800	480	.....	.....	2280	1773	355	.....	98	.....	.....
188	658	994	1785	.....	.....	.....	1785	975	316	.....	.....	176	.....
.....	2577	3939	3750	900	300	.....	4950	5228	1221	15	140	.....	.....
.....	1020	1620	2200	.....	.....	.....	2200	1267	430	169	.....	.....	.....
.....	426	678	1400	.....	15	.....	1415	232	135	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	653	1157	2500	600	.....	.....	3100	2433	955	.....	536	.....	.....
60	147	243	489	100	.....	.....	589	167	95	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	268	364	855	100	.....	.....	955	146	57	.....	.....	.....	.....
120	421	721	884	100	.....	.....	984	428	232	.....	.....	62	.....
45	120	237	887	100	.....	.....	987	443	56	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	5460	7020	4160	480	260	.....	4900	3804	1406	.....	89	585	.....
350	2189	3089	3700	720	360	.....	4780	1901	447	10	79	.....	.....
185	440	1154	2696	600	15	.....	3311	1962	635	9	308	.....	2000
.....	594	924	1562	212	50	.....	1824	573	120	.....	.....	78	.....
.....	160	352	801	.....	40	.....	841	49	226	.....	.....	409	.....
.....	479	971	2704	600	.....	.....	3304	1429	608	.....	.....	276	.....
156	314	602	820	.....	.....	.....	820	88	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
7133	**37710**	**59525**	**81688**	**13737**	**4642**	.....	**100067**	**60508**	**21582**	**1827**	**4104**	**2205**	**26145**
756	2585	3725	4000	720	125	.....	4845	3001	885	.....	102	618	2000
832	3780	5580	4264	1000	350	.....	5614	8850	952	.....	300	.....	.....
100	232	460	1265	.....	20	.....	1285	.....	299	.....	.....	617	.....
1100	4771	6571	6250	840	500	.....	7590	9113	1454	110	863	463	5461
443	1322	2150	3600	600	250	.....	4450	2314	1127	.....	58	.....	.....
100	252	444	4200	1200	.....	.....	5400	2078	264	.....	.....	.....	1276
.....	322	754	2000	.....	400	.....	2400	4500	.....	.....	.....	.....	46
37	523	952	3640	600	.....	.....	4240	1531	956	4	73	2500	915
30	363	603	1820	.....	.....	.....	1820	1338	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
600	5236	7828	5000	900	500	.....	6400	16195	1280	.....	126	293	.....
356	968	1484	2808	720	50	.....	3578	944	494	.....	25	.....	.....
113	227	431	1170	.....	.....	.....	1170	97	166	.....	.....	218	.....
605	3542	4646	3720	480	.....	.....	4200	1460	269	28	35	.....	.....
.....	938	1526	3000	720	.....	1000	4720	1331	784	.....	13	.....	1250
.....	137	534	2100	160	.....	.....	2260	500	.....	.....	.....	557	.....
.....	542	830	3180	780	.....	.....	3960	826	808	.....	20	.....	700
.....	951	1575	3600	840	201	.....	4641	1290	1038	.....	155	.....	200
127	220	472	900	.....	.....	.....	900	302	171	.....	.....	156	.....
.....	125	305	1200	720	.....	.....	1920	562	107	.....	.....	419	646
5219	**27036**	**40870**	**57717**	**10280**	**2396**	**1000**	**71393**	**56232**	**11054**	**142**	**1770**	**5841**	**12494**

III
FINANCES

B. LOCAL EXPENDITURES

Paid on Interest this Year	Paid on: New Buildings	Paid on: Improvements	Paid on: Total	Paid into Reserve or Trust Funds this Year	Total Local Exp. this Year	Increase in Indebtedness this Year	Paid out of Reserve and /or Trust Funds this Year	Amount Rec'd as Grants from Ann. Con. and /or other Church Agencies	Total Deductions	Net Total for Local Expense	Total for All Purposes
					2319					2319	2646
					2844					2844	3634
	38910		38910		58121					58121	61405
		3654	3654	3386	12653					12653	18367
					5007					5007	6650
	25022		25022	23081	73566	4000	37347		41347	32219	35848
	6500		6500		11103	4000	2500		6500	4603	5542
18		1774	1774	450	13811					13811	16717
		1940	1940		7805					7805	9253
35					5051					5051	6202
	139431		139431	2400	155110	39100	72715		111815	43295	47724
	77794		77794	3000	89037		77794		77794	11243	13366
515		129	129		12532					12532	14019
					3171					3171	3874
92					6520					6520	7944
				8818	20481					20481	23127
					4506					4506	5323
		140	140		3392					3392	4386
		1020	1020	500	13074					13074	17013
					4066					4066	5686
	82		82		1864					1864	2542
150	4878		4878		12052					12052	13209
		181	181		1032					1032	1275
	168	1531	1699		2857	1500			1500	1357	1721
		178	178	150	2034					2034	2755
		192	192		1678					1678	1915
		2022	2022		12806					12806	19826
313		22756	22756		30286	20000	959		20959	9327	12416
90		651	651		8966					8966	10120
					2595					2595	3519
					1525					1525	1877
					5617					5617	6588
		95	95		1003					1003	1605
1213	**292785**	**36263**	**329048**	**41785**	**588484**	**68600**	**191315**		**259915**	**328569**	**388094**
243	39235	763	39998	12676	64368	11000	26522		37522	26846	30571
					15716					15716	21296
	91		91		2292					2292	2752
1139	26000		26000	1521	53714	15000	12336		27336	26378	32949
		2290	2290	2938	13177		1093		1093	12084	14234
944		646	646		10608			2400	2400	8208	8652
43	4500	1164	5664		12653	4500			4500	8153	8907
94		2030	2030		12343	2000			2000	10343	11295
	362	412	774		3932					3932	4535
		2141	2141		26435					26435	34263
				1160	6201					6201	7685
					1651		353		353	1298	1729
		447	447		6439					6439	11085
				2068	9166					9166	10692
	13864	201	14065		17382	6507	5593		12100	5282	5816
199					6513					6513	7343
118		309	309	5000	12751		400		400	12351	13926
		202	202	112	1843					1843	2315
61		14	14		3729					3729	4034
2841	**84052**	**10619**	**94671**	**25475**	**280913**	**39007**	**46297**	**2400**	**87704**	**193209**	**234079**

			B. LOCAL EXPENDITURES										
Extra Contrib. for E.U.B. Colleges, Seminaries and Church Extension	Total Missions and Benev. Contrib. Not in Budget Apportionment	Total for Missions and Benevolence	Ministers' Cash Salary Paid by Local Churches	Value of Parsonage Rentals	Ministers' Expense Allowance	Received from Appropriations	Total Support of Ministers	Other Current Expense Including Maintenance Congregational	Sunday S., Vacation and Week-day School and Fellowship Exp.	Brotherhood Exp.	W.S.W.S. and Christian Service Guild Exp.	Ladies' Aid Society Expenditures	Paid on Indebtedness this Year
.....	63	327	1300	180	.....	.....	1480	340	443	.....	56	.....	.....
.....	406	790	1600	150	.....	.....	1750	484	505	.....	105	.....	.....
156	2384	3284	3900	1200	442	.....	5542	5918	1710	.....	1311	.....	4730
1281	3914	5714	4300	600	.....	.....	4900	.....	541	65	107	.....	.....
480	967	1643	2280	480	120	.....	2880	1405	722	.....	.....	.....	.....
700	2381	3629	4000	960	500	.....	5460	5869	968	.....	266	.....	12900
170	471	939	2050	495	.....	.....	2545	1091	697	.....	45	.....	225
600	1838	2906	3600	800	600	.....	5000	5245	649	.....	75	.....	600
.....	896	1448	2600	520	480	.....	3600	1024	1201	.....	40	.....	.....
.....	711	1151	2800	300	.....	.....	3100	820	615	25	37	219	200
850	2917	4429	4160	600	600	.....	5360	4361	1750	1530	90	188	.....
500	1223	2123	3000	420	300	.....	3720	3078	1141	.....	304	.....	.....
117	515	1487	3640	480	260	.....	4380	2286	956	4	62	.....	4200
.....	247	703	2600	480	.....	.....	3080	.....	.....	.....	67	24	.....
550	944	1424	2965	480	.....	.....	3445	544	961	.....	.....	188	1290
625	1546	2646	3900	600	300	.....	4800	5145	1429	.....	289	.....	.....
.....	361	817	1800	480	.....	.....	2280	1773	355	.....	98	.....	.....
188	658	994	1785	.....	.....	.....	1785	975	316	.....	.....	176	.....
.....	2577	3939	3750	900	300	.....	4950	5228	1221	15	140	.....	.....
.....	1020	1620	2200	.....	.....	.....	2200	1267	430	169	.....	.....	.....
.....	426	678	1400	.....	15	.....	1415	232	135	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	653	1157	2500	600	.....	.....	3100	2433	955	.....	536	.....	.....
60	147	243	489	100	.....	.....	589	167	95	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	268	364	855	100	.....	.....	955	146	57	.....	.....	.....	.....
120	421	721	884	100	.....	.....	984	428	232	.....	.....	62	.....
45	120	237	887	100	.....	.....	987	443	56	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	5460	7020	4160	480	260	.....	4900	3804	1406	.....	89	585	.....
350	2189	3089	3700	720	360	.....	4780	1901	447	10	79	.....	.....
185	440	1154	2696	600	15	.....	3311	1962	635	9	308	.....	2000
.....	594	924	1562	212	50	.....	1824	573	120	.....	.....	78	.....
.....	160	352	801	.....	40	.....	841	49	226	.....	.....	409	.....
.....	479	971	2704	600	.....	.....	3304	1429	608	.....	.....	276	.....
156	314	602	820	.....	.....	.....	820	88	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
7133	**37710**	**59525**	**81688**	**13737**	**4642**	.....	**100067**	**60508**	**21582**	**1827**	**4104**	**2205**	**26145**
756	2585	3725	4000	720	125	.....	4845	3001	885	.....	102	618	2000
832	3780	5580	4264	1000	350	.....	5614	8850	952	.....	300	.....	.....
100	232	460	1265	.....	20	.....	1285	.....	299	.....	.....	617	.....
1100	4771	6571	6250	840	500	.....	7590	9113	1454	110	863	463	5461
463	1322	2150	3600	600	250	.....	4450	2314	1127	.....	58	.....	.....
100	252	444	4200	1200	.....	.....	5400	2078	264	.....	.....	.....	1276
.....	322	754	2000	.....	400	.....	2400	4500	.....	.....	.....	.....	46
37	523	952	3640	600	.....	.....	4240	1531	956	4	73	2500	915
30	363	603	1820	.....	.....	.....	1820	1338	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
600	5236	7828	5000	900	500	.....	6400	16195	1280	.....	126	293	.....
356	968	1484	2808	720	50	.....	3578	944	494	.....	25	.....	.....
113	227	431	1170	.....	.....	.....	1170	97	166	.....	.....	218	.....
605	3542	4646	3720	480	.....	.....	4200	1460	269	28	35	.....	.....
.....	938	1526	3000	720	.....	1000	4720	1331	784	.....	13	.....	1250
.....	137	534	2100	160	.....	.....	2260	500	.....	.....	.....	557	.....
.....	542	830	3180	780	.....	.....	3960	826	808	.....	20	.....	700
.....	951	1575	3600	840	201	.....	4641	1290	1038	.....	155	.....	200
127	220	472	900	.....	.....	.....	900	302	171	.....	.....	156	.....
.....	125	305	1200	720	.....	.....	1920	562	107	.....	.....	419	646
5219	**27036**	**40870**	**57717**	**10280**	**2396**	**1000**	**71393**	**56232**	**11054**	**142**	**1770**	**5841**	**12494**

III
FINANCES

B. LOCAL EXPENDITURES

Paid on Interest this Year	Paid on: New Buildings	Paid on: Improvements	Paid on: Total	Paid into Reserve or Trust Funds this Year	Total Local Exp. this Year	Increase in Indebtedness this Year	Paid out of Reserve and /or Trust Funds this Year	Amount Rec'd as Grants from Ann. Con. and /or other Church Agencies	Total Deductions	Net Total for Local Expense	Total for All Purposes
					2319					2319	2646
					2844					2844	3634
	38910		38910		58121					58121	61405
		3654	3654	3386	12653					12653	18367
					5007					5007	6650
	25022		25022	23081	73566	4000	37347		41347	32219	35848
	6500		6500		11103	4000	2500		6500	4603	5542
18		1774	1774	450	13811					13811	16717
		1940	1940		7805					7805	9253
35					5051					5051	6202
	139431		139431	2400	155110	39100	72715		111815	43295	47724
	77794		77794	3000	89037		77794		77794	11243	13366
515		129	129		12532					12532	14019
					3171					3171	3874
92					6520					6520	7944
				8818	20481					20481	23127
					4506					4506	5323
		140	140		3392					3392	4386
		1020	1020	500	13074					13074	17013
					4066					4066	5686
	82		82		1864					1864	2542
150	4878		4878		12052					12052	13209
		181	181		1032					1032	1275
	168	1531	1699		2857	1500			1500	1357	1721
		178	178	150	2034					2034	2755
		192	192		1678					1678	1915
		2022	2022		12806					12806	19826
313		22756	22756		30286	20000	959		20959	9327	12416
90		651	651		8966					8966	10120
					2595					2595	3519
					1525					1525	1877
					5617					5617	6588
		95	95		1003					1003	1605
1213	**292785**	**36263**	**329048**	**41785**	**588484**	**68600**	**191315**		**259915**	**328569**	**388094**
243	39235	763	39998	12676	64368	11000	26522		37522	26846	30571
					15716					15716	21296
	91		91		2292					2292	2752
1139	26000		26000	1521	53714	15000	12336		27336	26378	32949
		2290	2290	2938	13177		1093		1093	12084	14234
944		646	646		10608			2400	2400	8208	8652
43	4500	1164	5664		12653	4500			4500	8153	8907
94		2030	2030		12343	2000			2000	10343	11295
	362	412	774		3932					3932	4535
		2141	2141		26435					26435	34263
				1160	6201					6201	7685
					1651		353		353	1298	1729
		447	447		6439					6439	11085
				2068	9166					9166	10692
	13864	201	14065		17382	6507	5593		12100	5282	5816
199					6513					6513	7343
118		309	309	5000	12751		400		400	12351	13926
		202	202	112	1843					1843	2315
61		14	14		3729					3729	4034
2841	**84052**	**10619**	**94671**	**25475**	**280913**	**39007**	**46297**	**2400**	**87704**	**193209**	**234079**

IV
PROPERTY

Average per member for Missions and Benevolence	Average per member for all Purposes	A. Local Church Property											
		Number of Churches	Number of Parsonages	Value of Churches	Value of Parsonages	Value of Other Local Church Property	Total Value of Local Church Property	Total Insurance	Indebtedness on Churches	Indebtedness on Parsonages	Indebtedness on Other Local Church Property	Total Reserve and Trust Funds
4.00	30.00	1		10000			10000	10000				
7.00	34.00	1	1	22000	5000		27000					
6.40	11.07	1	1	200000	25000		225000	200000	35270			
4.00	11.00	1	1	100000	8000	8000	116000	102000				7478
7.00	30.00	1	1	30000	10500		40500	40000				
8.00	73.00	1	1	207000	10500	9000	226500	205000	60000			6171
8.00	49.50	1	1	50000	6500		56500	38000		3775		89
8.00	44.00	1	1	70000	12000		82000	82000				2450
9.00	56.00	1	1	40000	8000		48000	37000				
7.70	40.00	1	1	75000	5000		80000	25200	750			1000
8.09	87.09	1	1	200000	15000		215000	191000	39100			2400
8.00	50.00	1	1	125000	5000		130000	105000				3000
4.66	43.94	1	1	100000	15000		115000	115000	8800			
4.70	5.10	1		25000			25000	130000				
11.00	62.00	1	1	30000	20000		50000	37500	1000			1100
7.00	63.00	1	1	80000	18000		98000	111000				17818
5.41	35.25	1	1	62000	6500		68500	47500				
10.04	44.33	1		50000			50000	45000				
13.94	62.00	1	1	75000	14000		89000	78000				3000
8.35	30.57	1	1	60000	10000		70000	50000				
7.37	27.63	1		20000			20000	10000				
7.87	89.25	1	1	20000	14000		34000	32000	5000			
6.00	38.00	1	1	6000	4000		10000	8000				
5.00	23.00	1	1	4000	4000		8000	8000				
8.00	34.00	1	1	22000	4000		26000	19000				
6.00	39.00	1	1	12000	4000		16000	9000				
12.00	34.00	1	1	90000	6000		96000	60000				
10.00	40.58	1	1	60000	10000		70000	59000	18000			
6.00	50.00	1		75000			75000	55000	1000			643
8.00	30.00	1		22000			22000	16000				
6.60	35.00	1		1000			1000	800				
8 00	56.00	1	1	85000	10000		95000	50000				
7.00	18.00	1		8000			8000	8000				
8 37	**54.59**	**33**	**25**	**2036000**	**250000**	**17000**	**2303000**	**1984000**	**168920**	**3775**		**45149**
9.69	79.27	1	1	70000	8000		78000	78000	9000			2404
11.00	42.00	1	1	100000	14000		114000	150000				
6.00	40.00	1		16000			16000	12000				
8.27	41.45	1	1	200000	26000		226000	185650	11241	14648		319
8.00	54.00	1	1	60883	7200	4500	72583	59000				4753
6 83	113.11	1	1	45000	30000	24000	99000	69000	18213	15000		
3.00	36.00	1	1	20000	13500		33500	30000		4500		
4.97	59.98	1	1	90000	15000		105000	82500	3100			
6.70	50.40	1		2800			2800	2800				
7.40	32.50	1	1	212000	20000		232000	212000				13000
10.50	55.75	1	1	15000	10500		25500	20800				1160
6.00	33.00	1		3000			3000	4400				883
28.00	67.00		1		15000		15000					
5.24	39.00	1	1	12000	12000		24000	19600		3750		7760
3.55	40.48	1	1	35000	5000		40000					
6.44	56.91	1	1	35000	15000		50000	25000		2850		
9.00	68.00	1	1	19000	13000	5500	37500	22000			2800	11000
2.00	8.00	1		10000			10000	10000				812
2.00	36.00	1	1	30000	8500		38500	2900	750			
8.51	**48.77**	**18**	**15**	**975683**	**212700**	**34000**	**1222383**	**985650**	**42304**	**40748**	**2800**	**42091**

Statistical Report

Central Group

Northeast Group

age lance	Worship Service	Mid-Week Worship Service
		52
	57	30
		40
		80
	25	
		15
		30
		14
		8
		38
	20	19
	02	326
		8
		10
		15
	51	30
		7
	51	70

Average Attendance at Sunday School	Officers and Teachers	Enrollment in Sunday Schools								Enrolled in Daily Vacation Church Schools	Enrolled in Week Day Church Schools	Enrolled in Leadership Education Courses	Enrolled in Catechetical and /or Pastor's Classes	Enrolled in Fellowships				
		Nursery	Beginners	Primary	Juniors	Young People	Adults	Home Department	Total Enrolled in Sunday School					Adult	Young Adult	Youth	Boys and Girls	Total Enrolled in Fellowships
160	22	28	27	51	25	27	138	.....	318	111	8	4	10	125	.....	41	.....	166
144	15	14	34	64	35	41	70	4	277	90	42	1	35	.....	.....	34	.....	34
372	40	18	126	101	117	117	246	.....	765	82	40	4	12	.....	.....	54	63	117
715	51	95	135	225	190	235	605	14	1550	215	30	3	101	.....	.....	90	.....	90
224	27	25	40	65	62	69	159	.....	447	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	16	16	14	66
211	15	12	45	82	42	18	45	.....	259	170	.....	.....	49	.....	.....	22	.....	22
165	20	16	30	26	25	68	90	.....	275	142	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	50	.....	50
244	37	21	26	45	41	53	221	25	469	45	35	4	12	.....	.....	25	24	49
418	52	27	31	90	100	160	337	18	815	108	27	12	40	72	.....	160	12	244
384	73	84	30	76	26	80	406	9	784	120	.....	64	33	.....	30	80	15	125
247	30	44	40	49	65	52	76	.....	356	94	.....	6	36	.....	8	46	.....	54
61	10	4	.....	14	14	.....	45	6	93	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
171	20	10	18	20	36	32	85	.....	221	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	32	.....	32
230	31	18	16	27	44	55	109	5	305	162	20	22	12	12	.....	37	21	70
118	18	19	24	35	27	18	19	.....	160	66	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36	.....	36
112	19	22	8	28	16	68	92	.....	253	67	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	37	.....	37
45	10	22	41	32	17	15	25	.....	162	183	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
193	27	23	29	54	51	52	164	2	402	83	.....	12	52	118	46	52	51	267
508	64	39	34	64	176	90	400	35	902	.....	.....	.....	.....	26	.....	100	.....	126
218	23	12	34	46	58	48	182	.....	403	100	.....	.....	35	.....	.....	28	51	79
400	45	40	52	87	141	100	216	10	691	101	16	14	10	.....	.....	110	.....	110
272	36	34	36	77	53	79	70	3	388	112	156	.....	49	.....	.....	79	.....	79
92	10	.....	12	15	46	20	24	.....	127	.....	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	30	27	57
190	26	12	20	50	54	44	110	.....	316	.....	9	10	16	.....	.....	44	.....	44
212	18	50	41	35	25	100	115	.....	384	.....	.....	5	19	.....	14	85	.....	99
364	42	50	45	51	60	75	115	7	445	100	12	2	63	.....	.....	60	.....	60
167	23	19	17	35	44	78	98	4	318	99	9	.....	13	.....	7	71	.....	78
444	26	25	54	78	74	70	279	6	612	231	46	3	18	.....	.....	48	43	91
106	24	11	22	27	16	59	69	.....	228	67	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	33	35	68
185	27	16	17	26	19	24	165	11	305	53	.....	.....	14	.....	.....	25	25	50
88	8	.....	17	7	18	18	47	3	118	.....	2	.....	6	.....	.....	15	.....	15
7460	**889**	**810**	**1101**	**1682**	**1817**	**1965**	**4822**	**162**	**13248**	**2601**	**452**	**166**	**717**	**373**	**121**	**1540**	**381**	**2415**
135	17	.....	28	21	30	50	99	.....	245	.....	.....	10	20	.....	.....	40	.....	40
91	12	14	11	19	15	28	66	6	171	.....	3	2	.....	.....	.....	12	14	26
138	16	21	11	15	14	34	95	.....	206	74	.....	7	5	.....	.....	27	.....	27
96	17	8	11	10	19	27	60	.....	152	70	5	.....	7	.....	.....	45	43	88
399	30	72	50	101	138	128	296	.....	815	153	25	22	153	.....	.....	45	.....	45
52	7	.....	16	10	15	17	23	.....	88	64	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	15	.....	15
59	8	12	12	10	15	16	25	15	113	44	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
154	12	17	17	19	24	73	105	18	285	61	.....	.....	26	.....	.....	17	35	52
145	29	14	21	21	33	62	108	4	292	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	10
129	22	6	9	18	28	37	38	.....	158	59	.....	.....	12	.....	.....	16	8	24
1398	**170**	**164**	**186**	**244**	**331**	**472**	**915**	**43**	**2525**	**525**	**33**	**41**	**229**	.....	.....	**227**	**100**	**327**

I MINISTRY AND CHARGES			II CHRISTIAN LIFE AND WORK																					
				Gained by				Lost by														Average Attendance		
CHARGE	CHURCH	PASTOR	Members Reported at close of Last Year	Confession of Faith	Certificate of Transfer	Certificate of Membership	Total Gain	Death	Certificate of Transfer	Certificate of Membership Withdrawn without Certificate	Other Ways	Total Loss	Net Gain	Net Loss	Present Membership	Non-resident Members	Members Under 13 Years of Age	Conversions	Reclamations	Baptisms (All Ages)	Number of Enrolled Tithers	Sunday Morning Worship Service	Sunday Evening Worship Service	Mid-Week Worship Service
CENTRAL GROUP																								
53 Aley	Aley	Robert A. Hoppe	161	14	16	2	32	1	2	9		12	20		181	16	7	14		12		125		52
54 Beardshear	Beardshear	Carl V. Vorpe	368	28	4	5	37	4	11	3		18	19		387	21		3	3	38		208		
55 Beavertown	Beavertown	E. R. Turner	680	42	14	24	80	2	6	6	19	33	47		727	65	15	42		39	23	251		
56 Belmont	Belmont	Murn B. Klepinger	1505	54	9	43	106	15	12	14	22	63	43		1548	56	1	54	1	64	44	664		
57 Drexel	Drexel	Rankin Roach	332	1		1	2	1	6	5	14	5	31		29	303		3	4			145	57	30
58 Eastmont	Eastmont	Dwayne Myers	83	16	5	7	28	1				1	27		110	3		8		33	20	142		
59 Englewood	Englewood	J. W. Bergland	290	15	10	6	31	2	2	9	2	15	16		306	22	7			20		171		
60 Euclid Ave.	Euclid Ave.	Emerson D. Bragg	1071	6	6	2	14	20	17	12		50		36	1035	227				12	40	238		40
61 Fairview	Fairview	Lorin S. Stine	1368	35	10	16	61	18	11	14	22	65		4	1364	100	55	35		32		450		
62 First Church	First Church	Paul M. Herrick	1163	28	24	16	68	14	13	18	5	50	18		1181	113	39	28		38		593		80
63 Fort McKinley	Fort McKinley	Carl B. Eschbach	629	22	14	19	55	1	5	12	15	33	22		651	54	5	22		40	6	260		
64 Hartford St.	Hartford St.	Harvey B. Clark	198					1	26	7	15	1	50		50	148	4	3		1		52		
65 High St.	High St.	Earl W. Toy	444	13	4	4	21	4	12	6	11		33		12	432	47	10	13		7	20	167		
66 Liberty	Liberty	John K. Bergland	383	12	2	7	21	4	10	5	1	2	22		1	382	27	8	12	10	12	12	216		
67 Miami Chapel	Miami Chapel	William Atkins	297	25		3	28	2	10	9	10		31		3	294		4	36		12	37	105		
68 Miamisburg	Miamisburg	Ambrose Aegerter	534	49	10	7	66	6		7	14		27	39		573	28	25	49	1	45		166		
69 Miami Valley	Miami Valley	Carson A. Troup	70							2			2		2	68	4	4				41		
70 Normandy	Normandy	Milford E. Ater	201	45	44	33	122		2			2	120			321	6	31	53	12	24		222	125	
71 Oak St.	Oak St.	Charles W. Loveless	1180	23	3		26	21	12	21	14	4	72		46	1134	70	25	23		27	30	340		
72 Oakwood	Oakwood	Harold S. Brown	480	33	11	13	57	2	12	3	14		31	26		506	26	27	33		18		199		15
73 Otterbein	Otterbein	Harvey C. Hahn	1029	39	7	14	60	12	3	6	6		27	33		1062	68	16	39	4	43	240	605		30
74 Residence Park	Residence Park	Don E. Gillespie	409	18	16	7	41	2	20	14	9		45		4	405	31	4	1		25		146		
75 Riverside	Riverside	Ronald A. Lynch	89	11	1	3	15		1				1	14		82	9	3			2	3	92		
76 Southern Hills	Southern Hills	Ralph W. Tinsley	431	20	6	11	37	3	11	3			17	20		451	20	18	20		18	14	139		
77 Sulphur Grove	Sulphur Grove	C. Edwin Pellett	326	8	6	13	27	5		1	5		11	16		342	62	17	4		10	10	174		
78 Trinity	Trinity	R. L. Foreman	519	30	5	12	47	12	7	12	38		69		22	497	50	40	30		24	8	316		
79 Troy St.	Troy St	Owen Delp	310	8	6	4	18	1	2	2			5	13		323	40		9		26	21	129		
80 Vandailia	Vandailia	Walter N. Miranda	765	34	20	25	79	2	2	24	12		40	39		804	94	30	34		46	3	378		14
81 Wagner	Wagner	James H. Conley	254	8	2	1	11		2	4	62		68		57	197	7	5	2		10		114		8
82 Wayne Ave.	Wayne Ave.	Louis O. Odon	541	19	17	2	38	8	4	21	5		38			541	20	14	19		16		238		38
83 Zion	Zion	Richard E. Hedges	107	7			7			1			1	6		113	13	1	16	20	16	15	74	20	19
Totals Central Group			16196	663	272	300	1235	164	221	250	315	13	963	538 *272	266	16486	1303	417	603	51	710	546	7160	202	326
NORTHEAST GROUP																								
84 Bowlusville	Bowlusville	James V. Frazier, Jr	214	6	2	2	10	2	1				3	7		221	16	3	5	2	7		94		
85 Columbus Ave.	Columbus Ave.	Charles R. Smith	161	4	11	9	16	2		2	6		10	6		167	8	4	5		16		78		8
86 Fletcher	Fletcher	Joe P. Hendrix	233	12			12	3			3		6	6		239	8	14	12		11		144		
87 Ginghamsburg	Ginghamsburg	Carl Hahn, Jr.	171	7	2		9	1	4				5	4		175	46	7	7	10	10	15	77		10
88 Lagonda	Lagonda	Clifford D. Stearns	897	44	1	32	77	6		16	26		48	29		926	24	25			29		294		15
89 Lockington—	Lockington	Charles L. Kuhns	137	4			4	2		3	1		6		2	135	27	1	2		7		67		
90 New Hope	New Hope	Charles L. Kuhns	85	6	1	1	8	1			3		4	4		89	11	2	2		8		56		
91 Piqua	Piqua	Eugene Griffith	445	22	4	1	27	8	3	8	4	2	25	2		447	26	24	9	4	15	15	173	51	30
92 Rosewood	Rosewood	Howard L. Hahn	348	9		2	11	2		5	5		12		1	347	72	10	9		18		99		
93 Xenia	Xenia	Earl Stocklager	252	4	4		8	1		9			10		2	250	54	4	5		2	15	101		7
Totals Northeast Group			2943	120	15	47	182	28	8	43	48	2	129	58 *53	5	2996	292	94	56	16	123	45	1183	51	70

Average Attendance at Sunday School	Officers and Teachers	Enrollment in Sunday Schools								Enrolled in Daily Vacation Church Schools	Enrolled in Week Day Church Schools	Enrolled in Leadership Education Courses	Enrolled in Catechetical and /or Pastor's Classes	Enrolled in Fellowships				
		Nursery	Beginners	Primary	Juniors	Young People	Adults	Home Department	Total Enrolled in Sunday School					Adult	Young Adult	Youth	Boys and Girls	Total Enrolled in Fellowships
160	22	28	27	51	25	27	138	.....	318	111	8	4	10	125	.....	41	.....	166
144	15	14	34	64	35	41	70	4	277	90	42	1	35	.....	.....	34	.....	34
372	40	18	126	101	117	117	246	.....	765	82	40	4	12	.....	.....	54	63	117
715	51	95	135	225	190	235	605	14	1550	215	30	3	101	.....	.....	90	.....	90
224	27	25	40	65	62	69	159	.....	447	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	16	16	14	66
211	15	12	45	82	42	18	45	.....	259	170	.....	.....	49	.....	.....	22	.....	22
165	20	16	30	26	25	68	90	.....	275	142	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	50	.....	50
244	37	21	26	45	41	53	221	25	469	45	35	4	12	.....	.....	25	24	49
418	52	27	31	90	100	160	337	18	815	108	27	12	40	72	.....	160	12	244
384	73	84	30	76	26	80	406	9	784	120	.....	64	33	.....	30	80	15	125
247	30	44	40	49	65	52	76	.....	356	94	.....	6	36	.....	8	46	.....	54
61	10	4	.....	14	14	.....	45	6	93	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
171	20	10	18	20	36	32	85	.....	221	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	32	.....	32
230	31	18	16	27	44	55	109	5	305	162	20	22	12	12	.....	37	21	70
118	18	19	24	35	27	18	19	.....	160	66	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36	.....	36
112	19	22	8	28	16	68	92	.....	253	67	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	37	.....	37
45	10	22	41	32	17	15	25	.....	162	183	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
193	27	23	29	54	51	52	164	2	402	83	.....	12	52	118	46	52	51	267
508	64	39	34	64	176	90	400	35	902	.....	.....	.....	.....	26	.....	100	.....	126
218	23	12	34	46	58	48	182	.....	403	100	.....	.....	35	.....	.....	28	51	79
400	45	40	52	87	141	100	216	10	691	101	16	14	10	.....	.....	110	.....	110
272	36	34	36	77	53	79	70	3	388	112	156	.....	49	.....	.....	79	.....	79
92	10	.....	12	15	46	20	24	.....	127	.....	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	30	27	57
190	26	12	20	50	54	44	110	.....	316	.....	9	10	16	.....	.....	44	.....	44
212	18	50	41	35	25	100	115	.....	384	.....	.....	5	19	.....	14	85	.....	99
364	42	50	45	51	60	75	115	7	445	100	12	2	63	.....	.....	60	.....	60
167	23	19	17	35	44	78	98	4	318	99	9	.....	13	.....	7	71	.....	78
444	26	25	54	78	74	70	279	6	612	231	46	3	18	.....	.....	48	43	91
106	24	11	22	27	16	59	69	.....	228	67	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	33	35	68
185	27	16	17	26	19	24	165	11	305	53	.....	.....	14	.....	.....	25	25	50
88	8	.....	17	7	18	18	47	3	118	.....	2	.....	6	.....	.....	15	.....	15
7460	**889**	**810**	**1101**	**1682**	**1817**	**1965**	**4822**	**162**	**13248**	**2601**	**452**	**166**	**717**	**373**	**121**	**1540**	**381**	**2415**
135	17	.....	28	21	30	50	99	.....	245	.....	.....	10	20	.....	.....	40	.....	40
91	12	14	11	19	15	28	66	6	171	.....	3	2	.....	.....	.....	12	14	26
138	16	21	11	15	14	34	95	.....	206	74	.....	7	5	.....	.....	27	.....	27
96	17	8	11	10	19	27	60	.....	152	70	5	.....	7	.....	.....	45	43	88
399	30	72	50	101	138	128	296	.....	815	153	25	22	153	.....	.....	45	.....	45
52	7	.....	16	10	15	17	23	.....	88	64	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	15	.....	15
59	8	12	12	10	15	16	25	15	113	44	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
154	12	17	17	19	24	73	105	18	285	61	.....	.....	26	.....	.....	17	35	52
145	29	14	21	21	33	62	108	4	292	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	10
129	22	6	9	18	28	37	38	.....	158	59	.....	.....	12	.....	.....	16	8	24
1398	**170**	**164**	**186**	**244**	**331**	**472**	**915**	**43**	**2525**	**525**	**33**	**41**	**229**	.....	.....	**227**	**100**	**327**

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Enrolled in Brotherhoods	Enrolled in Wom. Organs.				Number Attending EUB Colleges	Number Attending Other Colleges and Universities	Telescope-Messenger	A. MISSIONS AND BENEVOLENCES									
										Missions - Benev. Cont. Not in Budget							
	W.S.W.S.	Ladies' Aid	Christian Service Guild	Total Enrollment in Women's Organ.				Missions and Benev. Budget Apportionment	Paid on Missions and Benevolence Budget Apportionment	W.S.W.S., C.S.G. and Children's Miss. Contributions	Youth Fellowship WS Contributions	Misc. Missions: Denominational	Misc. Missions: Non-Den'inational	Misc. Benevolence: Denominational	Misc. Benevolence: Non-Den'inational & Con. Interests	Homes and Orphanages	Paid on General Board of Pensions Apportionment
.....	12	25	.....	37	.....	5	7	492	492	63	.....	40	12	81	102	143	204
.....	34	33	.....	67	3	4	2	1344	1344	383	60	800	213	491	477	446	230
98	61	44	.....	105	3	21	5	1896	1895	1319	.....	71	.....	190	817	632	282
60	53	170	59	282	6	24	51	3900	3900	1011	239	2700	890	1291	2760	2000	495
.....	24	17	8	49	.....	1	.....	1272	1344	.....	.....	25	.....	233	.....	233	.....
16	.....	.....	43	43	.....	.....	4	408	408	13	5	.....	.....	56	40	123	.....
.....	40	.....	.....	40	.....	9	17	780	845	207	11	100	.....	.....	78	366	240
38	154	.....	42	196	3	8	37	3600	3600	2217	12	1963	2	1800	1920	1313	792
75	120	.....	37	157	8	45	31	4224	4252	1402	46	900	300	.....	1000	1272	976
100	177	.....	32	209	6	9	104	4224	4224	2635	140	1775	.....	1368	1775	1437	626
46	105	.....	.....	105	4	8	8	1536	1536	661	76	350	68	233	281	267	.....
.....	.....	25	.....	25	.....	4	1	924	924	.....	32	46	38	63	.....	288	.....
35	60	47	.....	107	2	2	36	1500	1500	322	29	707	82	294	331	350	360
.....	44	.....	30	74	.....	3	22	1392	1392	451	58	229	.....	27	336	451	240
.....	31	31	16	78	.....	2	10	876	876	.....	.....	37	61	66	135	300	185
30	42	.....	.....	42	2	6	8	1056	1056	203	.....	21	.....	27	170	306	405
.....	12	.....	.....	12	.....	1	.....	60	82	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	35	35	3	1	4	600	700	50	100	45	53	147	350	368	473
30	80	300	.....	380	1	6	19	4224	4224	1344	.....	370	.....	603	100	1633	468
62	70	.....	.....	70	.....	6	8	1584	1584	523	38	300	214	1147	.....	612	246
65	62	16	15	93	2	4	36	3252	3252	383	102	35	310	120	1250	875	.....
.....	23	49	.....	72	.....	2	10	1248	1248	230	52	.....	415	18	.....	320	340
.....	15	.....	.....	15	.....	1	.....	456	456	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	41	.....	.....	41	1	6	3	1320	1320	707	13	208	.....	238	537	521	268
.....	27	50	.....	77	.....	2	6	912	912	432	24	110	21	170	294	471	252
35	64	80	15	159	.....	8	14	2016	2016	675	42	250	.....	884	701	1091	508
18	21	17	10	48	1	1	16	828	828	186	20	51	.....	301	200	200	324
.....	113	240	.....	353	3	39	3	1968	1968	944	.....	500	.....	503	250	765	360
.....	20	.....	21	41	.....	6	5	934	1002	34	.....	50	14	190	25	294	.....
40	66	.....	11	77	.....	2	31	1608	1608	1071	50	78	76	.....	.....	279	306
.....	27	7	10	44	.....	.....	13	408	408	215	.....	317	108	40	167	163	197
748	**1598**	**1151**	**384**	**3133**	**48**	**236**	**511**	**50832**	**51196**	**17696**	**1149**	**12078**	**2877**	**10581**	**14096**	**17619**	**8777**
.....	20	53	.....	73	1	3	7	732	732	134	.....	37	.....	228	12	150	216
.....	17	17	.....	34	.....	2	24	468	491	113	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	233	.....
45	64	.....	.....	64	4	6	3	864	864	291	.....	138	.....	.....	.....	172	.....
.....	34	.....	.....	34	1	3	2	672	672	109	24	38	86	118	.....	125	216
.....	97	.....	.....	97	1	7	12	2208	2208	782	99	647	1134	195	.....	1176	232
8	12	30	.....	42	.....	.....	2	360	360	78	.....	.....	.....	53	86	96	.....
12	.....	30	.....	30	.....	.....	.....	324	324	.....	.....	40	160	101	.....	99	.....
.....	54	.....	18	72	3	3	30	1200	1200	675	50	30	.....	145	250	1000	240
.....	43	90	.....	133	.....	.....	.....	828	828	310	.....	151	.....	37	90	328	216
12	39	.....	.....	39	.....	2	4	888	888	317	89	.....	.....	157	149	154	216
77	**380**	**220**	**18**	**618**	**10**	**26**	**84**	**8544**	**8567**	**2809**	**262**	**1081**	**1380**	**1034**	**587**	**3533**	**1336**

			B. LOCAL EXPENDITURES										
Extra Contrib. for E.U.B. Colleges, Seminaries and Church Extension	Total Missions and Benev. Contrib. Not in Budget Apportionment	Total for Missions and Benevolence	Ministers' Cash Salary Paid by Local Churches	Value of Parsonage Rentals	Ministers' Expense Allowance	Received from Appropriations	Total Support of Ministers	Other Current Expense Including Maintenance Congregational	Sunday S., Vacation and Week-day School and Fellowship Exp.	Brotherhood Exp.	W.S.W.S. and Christian Service Guild Exp.	Ladies' Aid Society Expenditures	Paid on Indebtedness this Year
140	785	1277	3029	960	168	.....	4157	3461	1719	.....	25	86	4000
1051	4151	5495	3082	780	617	.....	4479	5676	1649	.....	221	238	.....
.....	3311	5206	4700	900	.....	.....	5600	12522	2546	482	162	786	.....
100	11486	15386	5500	1080	1000	.....	7580	27158	3000	101	304	330	37589
475	966	2310	3250	720	260	.....	4230	7775	648	.....	286	36	3600
315	552	960	3600	600	.....	.....	4200	2539	1589	326	789	.....	900
490	1492	2337	4000	600	400	.....	5000	4907	1486	.....	.....	.....	10000
100	10119	13719	8767	2125	1753	.....	12645	17281	2198	.....	658	200	500
3350	9246	13498	11211	900	1685	.....	13796	24812	2362	471	3721	.....	20420
2350	12106	16330	10440	2110	1168	.....	13718	36617	2694	224	1737	.....	15000
1600	3536	5072	5200	600	540	.....	6340	11247	1459	174	1683	.....	10020
1516	1983	2907	2175	900	300	.....	3375	5054	611	.....	.....	166	.....
925	3400	4900	4000	720	1200	.....	5920	9637	1101	.....	10	19	.....
800	2592	3984	4000	600	300	.....	4900	5792	2133	.....	2143	.....	620
667	1451	2327	3080	720	520	.....	4320	5178	565	10	.....	.....	.....
500	1632	2688	4500	600	.....	.....	5100	3467	711	118	204	.....	2322
27	27	109	1385	75	19	.....	1479	555	220	.....	120	.....	.....
.....	1586	2286	4500	1200	1094	.....	6794	18295	.....	.....	517	.....	.....
2400	6918	11142	5950	300	809	.....	7059	23575	4973	100	102	800	16875
.....	3080	4664	4200	1200	640	.....	6040	9838	1280	25	318	.....	6207
1800	4875	8127	4500	600	500	.....	5600	15772	4174	65	88	102	.....
641	2016	3264	4680	720	.....	.....	5400	2550	1613	.....	246	12	.....
.....	115	571	1229	551	25	.....	1805	1064	197	.....	.....	.....	564
750	3242	4562	4472	600	.....	.....	5072	7380	1635	.....	.....	45	.....
510	2284	3196	4200	600	584	.....	5384	4717	1398	30	260	870	1081
1925	6076	8092	5540	900	1227	.....	7667	10813	1986	67	81	3385	2392
550	1832	2660	3767	600	645	.....	5012	6313	29	.....	25	276	500
1100	4422	6390	5708	720	600	.....	7028	11108	1464	.....	.....	.....	7442
301	908	1910	3600	960	144	.....	4704	4460	613	.....	69	.....	.....
769	2629	4237	5100	780	.....	.....	5880	8899	1307	.....	.....	.....	17000
238	1445	1853	3640	600	.....	.....	4240	2078	532	.....	239	.....	1815
25390	**110263**	**161459**	**143005**	**25321**	**16198**	.....	**184524**	**310540**	**47892**	**2193**	**14008**	**7351**	**158847**
716	1499	2225	3600	600	.....	.....	4200	1606	467	.....	77	89	.....
262	608	1099	2200	600	.....	.....	2800	720	475	.....	22	172	950
716	1317	2181	4000	800	.....	.....	4800	3170	793	207	286	.....	.....
220	936	1608	3462	800	.....	.....	4262	2547	474	.....	3	.....	2075
1377	5642	7850	4300	600	300	.....	5200	6848	1200	.....	138	195	15515
200	513	873	1600	300	.....	.....	1900	874	93	50	.....	418	.....
200	600	924	1400	300	120	.....	1820	1015	365	50	.....	183	.....
675	3065	4265	4004	480	260	.....	4744	4824	1337	.....	.....	.....	.....
432	1564	2392	3600	480	.....	.....	4080	2828	790	.....	46	156	.....
300	1382	2270	3600	1020	120	.....	4740	2643	470	.....	72	.....	1100
5098	**17120**	**25687**	**31766**	**5980**	**800**	.....	**38546**	**27075**	**6464**	**307**	**644**	**1213**	**19640**

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B. LOCAL EXPENDITURES

Paid on Interest this Year	Paid on: New Buildings	Paid on: Improvements	Paid on: Total	Paid into Reserve or Trust Funds this Year	Total Local Exp. this Year	Increase in Indebtedness this Year	Paid out of Reserve and /or Trust Funds this Year	Amount Rec'd as Grants from Ann. Con. and /or other Church Agencies	Total Deductions	Net Total for Local Expense	Total for All Purposes
87	4000	1577	5577	8716	27828		10822		10822	17006	18283
				3331	15594					15594	21089
2828	71983		71983	90121	187030	70000	74821		144821	42209	47415
1094		1022	1022		78178					78178	93564
694		3287	3287		20556					20556	22866
500					10843			1950	1950	8893	9853
1700		317	317		23410	2000			2000	21410	23747
360					33842					33842	47561
				200	65782					65782	79280
4724	21465		21465		96179					96179	112509
828		576	576	7433	39760		10848		10848	28912	33984
				1662	10868		4706		4706	6162	9069
		36898	36898		53585	25000	4185		29185	24400	29300
290		1282	1282		17160					17160	21144
					10073					10073	12400
100					12022					12022	14710
				75	2449					2449	2558
75		9031	9031		34712	3500		902	4402	30310	32596
1584		1177	1177		56245					56245	67387
137					23845					23845	28509
	149854	375	150229		176030		81546		81546	94484	102611
					9821					9821	13085
		240	240		3870					3870	4441
				2100	16232					16232	20794
		3867	3867	6007	23614	2700	5165		7865	15749	18945
22		12133	12133		38564	10000			10000	28546	36638
5				2807	14967		307		307	14660	17320
810		3721	3721		31573					31573	37963
	467		467	3200	13513					13513	15423
2900	100000		100000		135986		100000		100000	35986	40223
92		912	912		9908					9908	11761
18830	**347769**	**76115**	**424184**	**125652**	**1294021**	**113200**	**292400**	**2852**	**408452**	**885569**	**1047028**
		364	364	645	7448					7448	9673
					5139					5139	6238
	548		548	717	10521					10521	12702
736		400	400		10497					10497	12105
2429		202	202		31727					31727	39577
		1275	1275		4610					4610	5483
				2111	5544					5544	6468
		133	133	1451	12489					12489	16754
		875	875	1083	9858		400		400	9458	11850
108		8781	8781		17914	3800			3800	14114	16384
3273	**548**	**12030**	**12578**	**6007**	**115747**	**3800**	**400**		**4200**	**111547**	**137234**

IV
PROPERTY

A. Local Church Property

Average per member for Missions and Benevolence	Average per member for all Purposes	Number of Churches	Number of Parsonages	Value of Churches	Value of Parsonages	Value of Other Local Church Property	Total Value of Local Church Property	Total Insurance	Indebtedness on Churches	Indebtedness on Parsonages	Indebtedness on Other Local Church Property	Total Reserve and Trust Funds
7.00	108.00	1	....	30000	.....	4800	34800	31500	.....	.....	.....	3071
14.20	56.00	1	1	80000	10000	5000	95000	72000	.....	.....	.....	6230
7.16	65.22	1	1	260000	10000	8000	278000	218000	70000	.....	.....	7290
9.94	60.44	2	1	370000	10000	.....	380000	280000	.....	.....	.....	11563
7.75	75.00	1	1	80000	10000	8500	98500	70000	.....	.....	.....	.....
9.00	90.00	1	1	23000	14500	4440	41940	12000	7400	.....	.....	.....
7.40	77.20	1	1	125000	10000	.....	135000	135000	37000	.....	.....	.....
13.25	45.95	1	1	200000	10000	11000	221000	197000	.....	.....	7500	.....
9.90	58.12	1	2	300000	25000	11000	336000	200000	7000	.....	.....	.....
14.00	94.00	1	1	500000	10000	.....	510000	425000	93750	.....	.....	.....
7.79	52.20	1	1	100000	20000	.....	120000	115000	5000	.....	.....	1200
26.40	70.00	1	....	50000	.....	.....	50000	43000	.....	.....	.....	5058
11.32	67.65	1	1	157000	10000	.....	167000	167000	17286	.....	.....	.....
10.43	55.35	1	1	90000	15000	.....	105000	93000	.....	.....	.....	.....
8.00	42.00	1	1	50000	6000	3500	59500	.....	.....	.....	.....	1966
4.67	25.67	1	1	80000	8000	.....	88000	40000	.....	.....	.....	.....
1.50	37.50	1	....	7500	.....	1500	9000	9000	.....	.....	.....	639
7.12	101.54	1	1	250000	35000	20000	305000	750000	100000	.....	3500	4000
9 80	59.40	1	1	300000	27500	10000	337500	346500	25500	.....	.....	.....
9.00	57.00	1	....	240000	.....	.....	240000	160000	.....	.....	.....	.....
7.65	96.60	1	1	90000	10000	50000	150000	150000	.....	.....	.....	50000
8.00	32.00	1	1	50000	12000	1500	63500	50000	.....	.....	.....	19600
7.00	53.80	1	....	35000	.....	.....	35000	25000	.....	.....	.....	.....
10.11	46.10	1	1	100000	10000	15000	125000	88000	.....	.....	.....	4900
9.35	57.25	1	1	64000	10000	.....	74000	63000	.....	.....	1700	1270
12.27	73.80	1	1	265000	14000	.....	279000	221000	.....	.....	10000	1265
8 24	53.62	1	1	40000	12000	.....	52000	41500	.....	.....	.....	2800
8.48	49.62	1	1	150000	20000	.....	170000	145000	.....	.....	12000	.....
9.00	68.00	1	1	25000	15000	10500	50500	37000	.....	.....	.....	6500
7.75	74.35	1	1	210000	8000	.....	218000	150000	53000	.....	.....	.....
16.00	104.00	1	1	25000	7000	7000	39000	39000	.....	.....	.....	1900
9.74	**63.58**	**32**	**27**	**4346500**	**349000**	**171740**	**4867240**	**4373500**	**415936**	.....	**34700**	**140052**
10.00	44.00	1	....	40000	.....	5500	45500	43500	.....	.....	.....	2657
6.00	38.00	1	1	18000	6000	2500	26500	25000	200	.....	.....	.....
9.12	53.15	1	1	60000	10000	.....	70000	60000	.....	.....	.....	1117
9 34	20.63	1	1	12000	16000	8000	36000	29000	.....	12625	.....	.....
9.00	44.00	1	1	205000	7500	.....	212500	150000	54000	.....	.....	.....
6.00	32.00	1	1	35000	12000	.....	47000	30000	.....	.....	.....	.....
10.00	71.00	1	....	16000	.....	3000	19000	9000	.....	.....	.....	2111
9.00	38.00	1	1	75000	9000	.....	84000	82000	.....	.....	.....	2451
6.89	34.10	1	1	35000	8000	.....	43000	36000	.....	.....	.....	1426
9.00	65.00	1	1	45000	15000	.....	60000	66000	3800	900	383	.....
8.58	**45.83**	**10**	**8**	**541000**	**83500**	**19000**	**643500**	**530500**	**58000**	**13525**	**383**	**9762**

Statistical Report

Southwest Group

Southeast Group

verage endance		
	Sunday Evening Worship Service	Mid-Week Worship Service
5		
4	58	20
9		
8		
1		
9	26	13
2		43
2		
0		
6		
8		
6		
8		
1		
2		
7		
7		
5	84	76
4		10
	23	
5		
	20	
5		
1		
9		
3		7
0		5
3		
8	20	8
5	27	13
3	90	43
7	854	854

Average Attendance at Sunday School	Officers and Teachers	Enrollment in Sunday Schools								Enrolled in Daily Vacation Church Schools	Enrolled in Week Day Church Schools	Enrolled in Leadership Education Courses	Enrolled in Catechetical and /or Pastor's Classes	Enrolled in Fellowships				
		Nursery	Beginners	Primary	Juniors	Young People	Adults	Home Department	Total Enrolled in Sunday School					Adult	Young Adult	Youth	Boys and Girls	Total Enrolled in Fellowships
83	14	14		40	14	10	15		107				3	20		18		38
154	20	13	25	20	30	34	89	15	246	74	33	8	22			30	20	50
13	4		4		2	7	5		22	4								
222	32	25	28	52	50	70	180		437		53		13			65		65
113	17	8	9	25	34	37	47	10	187	56	14		14			60	14	74
113	21	14	16	14	16	37	79		197	40	16	6				23	24	47
150	27	33	21	57	28	31	103		300	127	27		7		12	14		26
61	11		16	18	10	16	26		97									
54	11	8	8	8	8	11	44	2	100							8		8
172	28	21	42	53	42	35	10		231	130			7			30		30
154	21	11	18	26	25	27	91	4	223	20								
87	12	10	8	9	16	21	55	2	133	50						18	20	38
45	8	3	5	8	8	17	30		79	15								
96	22	30	19	40	31	25	39	3	209		27		7					
122	17		18	21	10	23	83		172				11			25		25
48	10	3	4		10	10	30		67				3			21		21
247	24	11	28	46	33	20	39		201	177			18			15		15
1934	**299**	**204**	**269**	**437**	**367**	**431**	**965**	**36**	**3008**	**693**	**170**	**14**	**105**	**20**	**12**	**327**	**78**	**437**
147	14	24	28	17	14	42	139	12	290	21						27		27
20	10			5	5		8	6	34									
53	10	2	9	7		24	25		77						28	18		46
21	5	3	5	10		10	10		43							12		12
30	9			19		10	32		70									
16	6			3		4	10		23									
67	8		24			44	30		106	38						12		12
54	12				29	10	32	10	93	24						10		10
27	7				12	3	12		34	27								
78	6	5	4	6	5	10	69	12	117	6								
24	5			6	5	5	30		51	28								
50	6		16	10	8	12	25		77	50			8					
617	**98**	**34**	**86**	**83**	**78**	**174**	**422**	**40**	**1015**	**194**			**8**		**28**	**79**		**107**
17526	**2325**	**1911**	**2534**	**3624**	**3671**	**4645**	**11408**	**571**	**30689**	**5465**	**945**	**334**	**1441**	**889**	**336**	**3231**	**812**	**5268**

I MINISTRY AND CHARGES			II CHRISTIAN LIFE AND WORK																					
				Goined by				Lost by														Average Attendance		
CHARGE	CHURCH	PASTOR	Members Reported at close of Last Year	Confession of Faith	Certificate of Transfer	Certificate of Membership	Total Gain	Death	Certificate of Transfer	Certificate of Membership	Withdrawn without Certificate	Other Ways	Total Loss	Net Gain	Net Loss	Present Membership	Non-resident Members	Members Under 13 Years of Age	Conversions	Reclamations	Baptisms (All Ages)	Number of Enrolled Tithers	Sunday Morning Worship Service	Sunday Evening Worship Service	Mid-Week Worship Service
SOUTHWEST GROUP																								
94	Bevis	Jack Strong	96	2		7	9	3	2	1			6	3		99	18	3			1		75		
95 Cherry Grove—	Cherry Grove	Carl R. Robinson	333	9	2	6	17	3	3	4	3		13	4		337	52	10	9		14	6	144	58	20
96 Five Mile	Five Mile	Carl R. Robinson	38													38	8				2		19		
97 Cheviot	Cheviot	Grover D. Letner	633	27	4	6	37	4	2	15	10		31	6		639	31	5	27		18	21	218		
98 Clifton	Clifton	J. C. Herbert	354	12	2		14	5	2	3	1		11	3		357	18	1			13		181		
99 Clough	Clough	Charles E. Fryman	270	5			5	3	2	3	2		10		5	265	27	4			6	26	99	26	13
100 College Hill	College Hill	James B. Duvall	274	13	4	9	26	2	1	1	2		6	20		294	8	4		1	16	24	132		43
101 Dunlap	Dunlap	E. S. Comrey	63	13			13	1			4		5	8		71	14	15	13		7		42		
102 Hyde Park	Hyde Park	Forrest M. Garner	105	2	1	5	8	2					2	6		111					3		70		
103 Mt. Airy	Mt. Airy	Maurice D. Gribler	282	18	5	14	37	5	1	5			11	26		308	16	7	10	6	23	5	176		
104 Mt. Healthy	Mt. Healthy	R. V. Pelton	524	8		4	12	4	6	1	3		14		2	522	67		8		17	8	148		
105 New Haven—	New Haven	W. Bryan Green	168	6	1	2	9	3					3	6		174	26	2	5		7	10	86		
106 Harrison	Harrison	W. Bryan Green	62	6			6	1					1	5		67	9	2	4			8	38		
107 Newport	Newport	Donald R. Baker	201	4	1	4	9	4	2	1			7	2		203	27			1	11	5	91		
108 North Bend	North Bend	Ira C. Clark	311	8		2	10	2	1	4	1		8	2		313	42	21	8		8		122		
109 Willey Memorial	Willey Memorial	James E. Miller	155	5		2	7	1	3	6			10		3	152	44	12	6		11	4	77		
110 Zion	Zion	Allen L. Unger	176	33		16	49			8	2		10	39		215	10	13			12		247		
Totols Sauthwest Group			4045	171	20	77	268	43	25	52	28		148	130 *120	10	4165	399	99	90	7	169	119	1965	84	76
SOUTHEAST GROUP																								
111 Batavia	Batavia	Gerald Geiger	306	1		1	2	5		4	3		12		10	296	55	2	1		6		124		10
112 Blanchester Ct.	Midland	John F. Ferich, Jr.	34							3			3		3	31	15	1	1		1	2		23	
113	Moore's Fork	John F. Ferich, Jr.	32													32									
114	Second Creek	John F. Ferich, Jr.	50	3			3							3		53	20				2	3	55		
115 Brown Co. Parish	Bloom Rose	John Sass, Jr.	82					2				5	7		7	75	39		1	2				20	
116	Browntown	John Sass, Jr.	57					1			1		2		2	55	14						35		
117	Ketterman Chapel	John Sass, Jr.	41					1					1		1	40	23						21		
118	Union Plains	John Sass, Jr.	87		1	1	2	5	2		1	6	14		12	75	11	2	1			1	69		
119	White Oak		23													23									
120 Hillsboro Circuit	Bethany	Elmer Bosworth	158					1			1		2		2	156	18	1				12	58		7
121	East Danville	Elmer Bosworth	46													46	6	1				4	30		5
122 Mowrystown	Mowrystown	Harold J. Messmer	144						3		3		6		6	138	45						78		
123 Wrightsville—	Wrightsville	B. Wyvonne Freeman	28								3		3		3	25	2			1		4	28	20	8
124 Liberty Chapel	Liberty Chapel	B. Wyvonne Freeman	17													17	3				2	8	25	27	13
Totols Southeast Group			1105	4	1	2	7	15	5	7	12	11	50	3 †43	46	1062	251	7	4	3	11	34	523	90	43
GRAND TOTALS			36055	1383	451	558	2392	366	368	486	537	90	1847	1273 *545	728	36600	3788	920	1068	108	1478	1009	16207	854	854

*Actual Net Gain
†Actual Net Loss

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83	14	14	.....	40	14	10	15	.....	107	.....	.....	.....	3	20	.....	18	.....	38
154	20	13	25	20	30	34	89	15	246	74	33	8	22	.....	.....	30	20	50
13	4	.....	4	.....	2	7	5	.....	22	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
222	32	25	28	52	50	70	180	.....	437	.....	53	.....	13	.....	.....	65	.....	65
113	17	8	9	25	34	37	47	10	187	56	14	.....	14	.....	.....	60	14	74
113	21	14	16	14	16	37	79	.....	197	40	16	6	.....	.....	.....	23	24	47
150	27	33	21	57	28	31	103	.....	300	127	27	.....	7	.....	12	14	.....	26
61	11	.....	16	18	10	16	26	.....	97	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
54	11	8	8	8	8	11	44	2	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	8
172	28	21	42	53	42	35	10	.....	231	130	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	30	.....	30
154	21	11	18	26	25	27	91	4	223	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
87	12	10	8	9	16	21	55	2	133	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18	20	38
45	8	3	5	8	8	17	30	.....	79	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
96	22	30	19	40	31	25	39	3	209	.....	27	.....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
122	17	.....	18	21	10	23	83	.....	172	.....	.....	.....	11	.....	.....	25	.....	25
48	10	3	4	.....	10	10	30	.....	67	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	21	.....	21
247	24	11	28	46	33	20	39	.....	201	177	.....	.....	18	.....	.....	15	.....	15
1934	**299**	**204**	**269**	**437**	**367**	**431**	**965**	**36**	**3008**	**693**	**170**	**14**	**105**	**20**	**12**	**327**	**78**	**437**
147	14	24	28	17	14	42	139	12	290	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27	.....	27
20	10	.....	.....	5	5	.....	8	6	34	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
53	10	2	9	7	.....	24	25	.....	77	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28	18	.....	46
21	5	3	5	10	.....	10	10	.....	43	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	.....	12
30	9	.....	.....	19	.....	10	32	.....	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
16	6	.....	.....	3	.....	4	10	.....	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
67	8	.....	24	.....	.....	44	30	.....	106	38	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	.....	12
54	12	.....	.....	.....	29	10	32	10	93	24	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	10
27	7	.....	.....	.....	12	3	12	.....	34	27	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
78	6	5	4	6	5	10	69	12	117	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
24	5	.....	.....	6	5	5	30	.....	51	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
50	6	.....	16	10	8	12	25	.....	77	50	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
617	**98**	**34**	**86**	**83**	**78**	**174**	**422**	**40**	**1015**	**194**	.....	.....	**8**	.....	**28**	**79**	.....	**107**
17526	**2325**	**1911**	**2534**	**3624**	**3671**	**4645**	**11408**	**571**	**30689**	**5465**	**945**	**334**	**1441**	**889**	**336**	**3231**	**812**	**5268**

III
FINANCES

Enrolled in Brotherhoods	Enrolled in Wom. Organs.				Number Attending EUB Colleges	Number Attending Other Colleges and Universities	Telescope-Messenger	A. MISSIONS AND BENEVOLENCES									
										Missions - Benev. Cont. Not in Budget							
	W.S.W.S.	Ladies' Aid	Christian Service Guild	Total Enrollment in Women's Organ.				Missions and Benev. Budget Apportionment	Paid on Missions and Benevolence Budget Apportionment	W.S.W.S., C.S.G. and Children's Miss. Contributions	Youth Fellowship WS Contributions	Misc. Missions: Denominational	Misc. Missions: Non-Den'inational	Misc. Benevolence: Denominational	Misc. Benevolence: Non-Den'inational & Con. Interests	Homes and Orphanages	Paid on General Board of Pensions Apportionment
	18			18			3	384	384	25				14		116	
	32	33		65	1	4	36	1080	1080	176	44	1345	51	22	63	450	301
							1	144	144			12		5		30	36
35	73			73	1	9	12	1596	1596	485	78	37	68	320	404	321	281
28	38	48	15	101		3	9	1392	1392	465	46	30	13	23	362	400	240
36	45	47		92		3	15	936	936	498	90	384	198	380	298	244	216
23	32	72		94		3	3	756	783			75			146	278	259
	23			23			3	240	240	60			83			54	100
	16			16				372	372	6		22		100	15	78	156
20	60			60		2	10	840	882	202	30		180	225		377	322
	63			63		5	6	1116	1116	166				50	10	150	
22	36	41		77		1	19	540	540	132		35		106		227	151
	28			28			4	264	264	139		20		40		209	101
	18			18		1	1	648	682	192		103		15	235	200	216
	33		15	48		3	16	756	756	204							
	16			16	2		10	552	552							136	16
9	30			30			29	648	680	267	17	97	50	95		182	264
173	**551**	**241**	**30**	**822**	**4**	**34**	**177**	**12264**	**12399**	**3017**	**305**	**2160**	**643**	**1395**	**1533**	**3452**	**2659**
24	29	49		78			30	900	900	138			98	87		320	
		19		19				120	120								
		44		44				180	180					22		64	99
		18		18				144									24
		14		14				132	132					4		29	36
																	27
		21		21		1	1	180	180							44	62
	11			11			5	429	210	54		24	3	212		46	171
		10		10			2	132	126					6	7	2	
		30		30			4	456	456			14	45			179	
		20		20				120							2	12	
	11			11				84	42				5		2	17	
24	**51**	**225**		**276**		**1**	**42**	**2942**	**2386**	**192**		**38**	**151**	**331**	**11**	**713**	**419**
1275	**3752**	**2477**	**664**	**6893**	**86**	**439**	**1166**	**111098**	**110197**	**35922**	**2475**	**21073**	**6364**	**23444**	**19731**	**37912**	**19387**

			B. LOCAL EXPENDITURES										
Extra Contrib. for E.U.B. Colleges, Seminaries and Church Extension	Total Missions and Benev. Contrib. Not in Budget Apportionment	Total for Missions and Benevolence	Ministers' Cash Salary Paid by Local Churches	Value of Parsonage Rentals	Ministers' Expense Allowance	Received from Appropriations	Total Support of Ministers	Other Current Expense Including Maintenance Congregational	Sunday S., Vacation and Week-day School and Fellowship Exp.	Brotherhood Exp.	W.S.W.S. and Christian Service Guild Exp.	Ladies' Aid Society Expenditures	Paid on Indebtedness this Year
.....	155	539	1865	.....	90	.....	1955	1257	820	.....	200	.....	.....
684	3136	4216	3250	1200	300	.....	4750	3764	1742	.....	.....	547	432
.....	83	227	600	.....	.....	.....	600	75	91	.....	.....	.....	.....
460	2454	4050	4680	480	240	.....	5400	7218	926	119	175	.....	8800
200	1779	3171	4000	1200	600	.....	5800	9550	650	.....	62	261	.....
525	2833	3769	3600	900	275	.....	4775	1461	1002	114	.....	387	.....
350	1108	1891	4320	600	120	.....	5040	13479	938	157	231	635	.....
106	403	643	1670	.....	.....	.....	1670	288	501	.....	21	.....	.....
.....	377	749	2600	840	.....	1000	4440	2366	617	.....	1015	.....	872
600	1936	2818	4472	1200	166	.....	5838	4979	918	25	.....	350	1415
10	386	1502	4200	900	308	.....	5408	2817	543	.....	280	.....	.....
300	951	1491	2520	600	.....	.....	3120	1315	622	19	15	25	1500
150	659	923	1680	.....	.....	.....	1680	668	199	.....	15	.....	.....
215	1176	1858	3600	720	.....	.....	4320	1860	1277	.....	48	18	.....
300	504	1260	3600	480	800	.....	4880	.....	344	.....	.....	612	550
.....	152	704	3380	600	.....	.....	3980	895	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
450	1422	2102	4550	600	350	.....	5500	1728	698	.....	56	.....	1200
4350	**19514**	**31913**	**54587**	**10320**	**3249**	**1000**	**69156**	**53720**	**11888**	**434**	**2118**	**2835**	**14769**
500	1143	2043	4000	720	.....	.....	4720	2757	718	.....	11	28	.....
54	54	174	635	.....	.....	.....	635	694	.....	.....	.....	192	.....
109	294	474	1188	.....	.....	300	1488	146	386	.....	.....	99	68
.....	24	24	402	.....	.....	124	526	30	36	.....	.....	99	68
25	94	226	600	.....	.....	126	726	18	143	.....	.....	26	90
.....	27	67	408	.....	.....	124	532	28	196	.....	.....	.....	68
.....	106	286	1040	.....	.....	126	1166	268	339	.....	.....	314	76
.....	510	720	2860	600	.....	.....	3460	576	309	.....	35	66	.....
.....	15	141	737	.....	.....	.....	737	179	142	.....	.....	424	.....
.....	238	694	2600	640	.....	.....	3240	1353	317	.....	.....	61	.....
.....	14	14	200	.....	.....	.....	200	167	94	.....	.....	24	.....
.....	24	66	330	.....	.....	.....	330	172	125	.....	50	.....	.....
688	**2543**	**4929**	**15000**	**1960**		**800**	**17760**	**6388**	**2715**	.....	**96**	**1405**	**302**
47878	**214186**	**324383**	**383763**	**67598**	**27285**	**2800**	**481446**	**514463**	**151595**	**4903**	**22740**	**20850**	**232197**

III
FINANCES

B. LOCAL EXPENDITURES

Paid on Interest this Year	Paid on: New Buildings	Paid on: Improvements	Paid on: Total	Paid into Reserve or Trust Funds this Year	Total Local Exp. this Year	Increase in Indebtedness this Year	Paid out of Reserve and /or Trust Funds this Year	Amount Rec'd as Grants from Ann. Con. and /or other Church Agencies	Total Deductions	Net Total for Local Expense	Total for All Purposes
	1215	337	1552		5784					5784	6323
72					11307					11307	15523
					766					766	993
327		889	889	18503	42357		9654		9654	32703	36753
		790	790		17113					17113	20284
		3633	3633		11372					11372	15141
				15818	36298		2646		2646	33652	35543
					2480					2480	3123
1016		232	232		9558			1000	1000	8558	9307
504		68	68	14548	28645		6982		6982	21663	24481
		445	445	13677	23170		880		880	22290	23792
16		892	892		7524					7524	9015
		35	35		2597					2597	3520
		970	970		8493					8493	10351
36		1286	1286		7708					7708	8968
		895	895		5770					5770	6474
		450	450		9632					9632	11734
1971	**1215**	**10922**	**12137**	**62546**	**230574**		**20162**	**1000**	**21162**	**209412**	**241325**
		4954	4954		13188					13188	15231
					1521					1521	1695
					1891					1891	2365
					635					635	659
					877					877	1103
					610					610	677
					2037					2037	2323
		377	377		4823					4823	5543
	50		50		1532					1532	1673
		1240	1240		6211					6211	6905
		50	50		535					535	549
		800	800		1477					1477	1543
	59	**7421**	**7471**		**35337**					**35337**	**40266**
28128	**726419**	**153670**	**880089**	**261465**	**2545076**	**224607**	**550574**	**6252**	**781433**	**1763643**	**2088026**

IV
PROPERTY

Average per member for Missions and Benevolence	Average per member for all Purposes	A. Local Church Property											
		Number of Churches	Number of Parsonages	Value of Churches	Value of Parsonages	Value of Other Local Church Property	Total Value of Local Church Property	Total Insurance	Indebtedness on Churches	Indebtedness on Parsonages	Indebtedness on Other Local Church Property	Total Reserve and Trust Funds
4.00	60.00	1	1	15000	18000		33000	20000				13000
12.20	46.06	1	1	66000	25000		91000	71000		1263		
5.98	26.13	1		12000			12000	3500				
6.34	57.50	1	1	60000	10000	60000	130000	70000			8300	18000
2.00	14.00	1	1	150000			150000	150000				
14.19	56.09	1	1	40000	15000		55000	33000				
6.40	120.90	1	1	62500	8500	2000	73000	85000				15818
9.05	44.00	1	1	7000			7000	6000				
1.56	23.64	1	1	40000	14000		54000	42000	19465			
9.00	79.35	1	1	35000	18500	31760	85260	50000		9973	449	10980
4.00	51.00	1	1	60000	15000		48000	34000				98000
8.00	51.00	1	1	60000	15000		75000	54600				
14.00	53.00	1		10000			10000	6500				
9.11	50.99	1	1	60000	10000	2000	72000	52000				
2.00	29.00	1	1	50000	10000		60000	51000				
4.63	42.00	1	1	55000	10000		65000	2000				
9.00	54.00	1	1	35000	15000	3500	53500	53500			7800	8787
7.66	**57.94**	**17**	**13**	**787500**	**187000**	**99260**	**1073760**	**784100**	**19465**	**11236**	**16549**	**164585**
6.90	54.93	1	1	100000	15000	9750	124750	76500				
6.00	55.00	1		6000			6000	6000				
		1		3000			3000					
9.00	45.00	1		10000			10000	10000				
.30	10.00	1		2500			2500					
5.00	20.00	1	1	1500	5000	500	7000	1300		312		
2.00	18.00	1		1500			1500					
4.00	30.00	1		5000			5000	5000				
		1		5000			5000					
4.00	35.00	1	1	30000	8000		38000	23000				2823
3.00	36.00	1		6500			6500	6500				200
5.05	50.05	1	1	35000	9000		44000	47000				
1.00	22.00	1	1	3500			3500	2000				
4.00	91.00	1	1	3000			3000	2000				
4.64	**37.92**	**14**	**6**	**212500**	**37000**	**10250**	**259750**	**179300**		**312**		**3023**
8.86	**57.05**	**124**	**95**	**8399183**	**1119200**	**351250**	**10369633**	**8837050**	**704625**	**69596**	**54432**	**404662**

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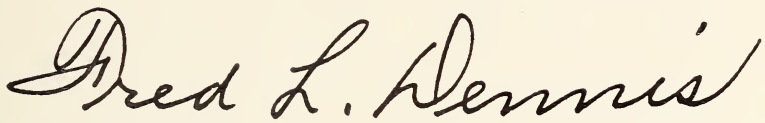

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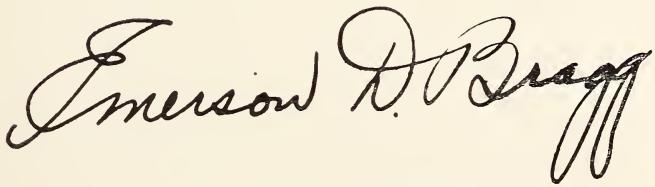

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